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## WAR DECLARED?

CHINA AND RUSSIA AT CROSSROADS

### SOVIET'S PROMPT REPLY

New York Says "Diplomatic Relations Severed"

#### MOSCOW ACCUSES NANKING OF HYPOCRISY

While a New York source quotes a report from Moscow (and cabled overnight by Reuter) that Russia has severed diplomatic relations with China, war has yet to be declared.

Chinese particularly insist that the breach will not widen. On the other hand, the Soviet has replied promptly to the last Chinese Note—too promptly to indicate that it will wait longer—to the effect that "all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted."

Accordingly, Russia is to call her subjects from China and give marching orders to Chinese diplomatic officers in Russia. Which action would be tantamount to a declaration of war.

In spite of the continually mentioned calm demeanour of all Chinese who count, both sides appear to be making preparations for hostilities and, furthermore, the Japanese (who are always best-informed) appear to have made up their minds that trans-Siberia railway traffic will cease for the time being. Communications will be suspended unless there is a new development, which can only mean either China or Russia climbing down. So far, there has been no talk of active foreign intervention or mediation.

### "WHITES" TO JOIN IN?

Moscow, Yesterday.  
 The Soviet has replied to the Note which China sent before the expiry of the three days' ultimatum.

The Russians say that because all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted, the Soviet Government is compelled to recall from China all official representatives and all Russian officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and also to suspend all railway communications between the Soviet and China.

Also, the Soviet reply states, the Soviet Government order the immediate departure of the diplomatic representatives of China in Russia.

China "Outspoken"  
 Finally, the Soviet reserves the rights arising out of the Agreement of 1924 (in regard to the Railway) and declares the Chinese reply to be unsatisfactory and hypocritical.

According to a version published here, the Chinese Note (in reply to Russia's ultimatum) presents views which are rather more outspoken in form than at first cabled.

The Russian version of the Chinese Note renders one passage as China saying:—"If all Chinese citizens and societies (in Russia) are guaranteed proper protection, the same treatment will in due time be accorded all the Soviet institutions in China which have been closed."

"Past Wrong-Doings"  
 Another passage, according to the Russian rendering, of the Chinese Note makes China express the hope that "the Soviet Government will, of its own accord, correct past wrong-doings and will respect the sovereignty of China and its laws, and that the Soviet will not make proposals denying the existing facts."

Troop Trains Leave  
 Harbin, To-day.  
 The Soviet officials remaining in Harbin state that Nanking's reply opens the way to negotiations, although it fails to satisfy the Russian demand for the cancellation of the seizure of the Railway and the dismissal of officials, which omission may yet compel the Soviet to resort to measures to safeguard its rights.

In spite of Nanking's reply the Chinese military preparations have not slackened. Troop trains left to-day in the direction of Pogradich-naye and Manchuli.

The headquarters of the Chinese Eastern Railway are informed that the international train from Harbin failed to make the usual connection with the Russian train at Manchuli, hence the international route is suspended.—Reuter.

War Rumours  
 Shanghai, To-day.  
 The fact that telegraph communication from Harbin to Harbin

is interrupted does not prevent a crop of rumours of military movements on both sides of Manchuria's 3,000-mile frontier, such as the Soviet cavalry in Outer Mongolia are advancing eastward to Tsouanfu, and are also active in the vicinity of Suifenho, on the eastern border of Manchuria, whilst Chinese and Russians are massing on opposite banks of the Amur in the vicinity of Blagoveshensk, but these rumours are not trustworthy and cannot be confirmed.

Japanese Observation  
 However, foreigners arriving from Europe by railway report heavy troop movements between Lake Baikal and Manchuli.

The Japanese War Minister has reported to the Japanese Cabinet that a total of 40,000 well-equipped Russian troops are distributed along the Northern borders of Manchuria, whilst Chinese troops in Manchuria total 440,000, of which 80,000 are guarding the Chinese Eastern Railway.—Reuter.

#### "Whites" to Help China?

Shanghai, To-day.  
 A strange report obtained by the Russian authorities alleges that the Chinese Government is giving every assistance to the "White" Russian General Semenov, to organise a "White" Army in Manchuria for carrying out an expedition to the eastern provinces of Siberia. In the event of this expedition being successful (the allegation goes), General Semenov promises to establish a buffer state there.

This report has aroused indignation in unofficial circles in Moscow to a high pitch but the attitude of the official circles is rather calm.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Tokyo, To-day.  
 Railway authorities have ordered the Tourist Bureau to suspend the sale of the trans-Siberian tickets.—Reuter.

Mukden, To-day.  
 General Chang Hsueh-liang's arsenal is feverishly producing munitions. The Chinese authorities seized the Mukden office of the Chinese Eastern Railway Trade Bureau and dismissed the Russian manager.—Reuter.

Clash Denied  
 Nanking, Yesterday.  
 The Foreign Office denies the rumours that an actual clash between Russian and Chinese troops at the Manchurian border has occurred. However, military movements are still reported to be evident on both sides. General Chang Tso-shiang, Tapan of Kirin province, has ordered an additional brigade of Kirin troops to reinforce the lines at Manchuli.

General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government, has written to Generals Chang Tso-shiang and Wen Fu-hsi to the effect that in view of the present strained relations between Russia and China, special attention must be

## WATER RESTRICTIONS ON ISLAND

### NO RELAXATION

AWAITING NEXT OVERFLOW OF RESERVOIRS

#### PRECAUTION FOR WINTER

The "China Mail" learns officially that the authorities, having carefully considered the matter, have decided against lessening any of the water restrictions on the Island.

It is pointed out that unless the reservoirs overflow (as the result of future rains, of course) the community will again be in a very dangerous position during the coming winter months, which are usually dry.

The work of laying the pipe line across the harbour will, naturally, be accelerated; but, even so, no one can predict with certainty when it will be completed.

The Government's new water Bill, affecting the supply and cost of water by meter, was read in the Legislative Council this afternoon, being prefaced by a statement in support of the "objects and reasons" already published in the "China Mail."

In Kowloon there is an abundant supply without touching the storage in the reservoirs, which is accumulating. This, of course, will be a splendid reserve during the dry winter months.

#### WATER WASTERS

A Man Cautioned & a Woman Fined

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with wasting water.

An Indian Guard told the Magistrate that at the public water tank in Sutherland-street, he saw the accused open the tap and fill one bucket. This he placed aside and returned to wash his hands and feet. The tap was running at full force for three minutes.

When witness went up to accused and warned him, he became abusive, so he arrested him.

The Magistrate recognised both the Guard and the accused as men who had figured before him in a case of disorderly conduct. The identification was confirmed by Inspector Bloor.

Accused said that he had just filled one bucket of water and was proceeding to fill a second when the Guard arrested him. He certainly did not wash himself.

Remarking that he was not satisfied with the evidence, Mr. Hamilton discharged the accused with a caution. He also suggested to Inspector Bloor that it would be a good idea to have the Guard remove to another tank, as "he has had one row before, and now this case."

Washing Her Buckets  
 A charge of wasting water was preferred against a Chinese woman before Mr. T. M. Hazlerig, M.C.

Accused said that she was merely washing her buckets before filling them.

A constable said that he saw her throw away half a bucket of water.

The Magistrate said that to use half a bucket of water for cleaning purpose was extravagant. Half a bucket of water to clean each bucket represented a wastage of one bucket of water, and that could not be tolerated.

Accused was fined \$10 or 14 days' jail.

#### Nanking's Calmness

Nanking, To-day.  
 The leading Government officials are quite unexcited. They appear more and more inclined to treat the Manchurian imbroglio as a local issue which will be peacefully settled by negotiation, although a member of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang informed pressmen yesterday afternoon that the National Government is determined to take over the Chinese Eastern Railway, remarking:

"What hope have we of abolishing all unequal treaties if we cannot even carry the terms of an equal agreement?"

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## WAR DEBTS

DEBATE RESUMED IN FRENCH CHAMBER

### VALIDITY NOT CONTESTED

Paris, Yesterday.  
 On the resumption of the War Debts debate in the Chamber M. Herriot, on behalf of the Radical Party, did not contest the validity of the Debt Agreements but demanded reservations guaranteeing France's rights.

He drew a distinction between the position of France with regard to the British and American debt, and said that Britain's economic difficulties were due to her participation in the war and must be taken into consideration. But the position of America was different. He declared that in the liquidation of the Napoleonic war in 1815, Great Britain allowed Austria a 90 per cent reduction of her debt because Austria had been the principal battlefield.

He asked: "Was not France entitled to the same privilege?" (Cheers).

Reporters of the Finance and Foreign Affairs Committees stated that the point of view of the majority of these Committees was that the Agreement should be ratified with reservations.—Reuter.

## FLORIDA BANKS

22 FAILURES IN A FORTNIGHT

\$23,000,000 INVOLVED

Tampa, Fla., Yesterday.  
 After the failure of a number of Florida banks last week, 14 State banks in the south-west of Florida have closed, making a total of 22 bank failures in Florida within a fortnight.

The deposits involved are estimated at \$23,000,000.

The Comptroller of Banks attributes the failures to unnecessary withdrawals, propaganda, and the mental attitude of the people.—Reuter's American Service.

## "REDS" IN TURKEY

SMARTLY DEALT WITH IN CONSTANTINOPLE

### SEQUEL TO ROUND-UP

Constantinople, Yesterday.  
 The Police round-up of Communists in Smyrna and Constantinople in April has had a sequel in the trial of the 35 "Reds" on a charge of disseminating propaganda and attempting to undermine the existing regime.

Twenty-six of the accused were sentenced to 4½ years' imprisonment.—Reuter.

## U.S. OF EUROPE

M. BRIAND'S INTERESTING PROPOSALS

London, Yesterday.  
 Mr. A. Henderson (the Secretary for Foreign Affairs) has received no communication from the French or German Governments concerning M. Briand's proposals for a United States of Europe.

Mr. A. Henderson said in the Commons that he had examined the suggestion that he should consider the publication of an analysis of these and analogous proposals for closer economic and political unity in Europe, made since the war by authorities of a recognised international standing.—Reuter's Wireless Service.

## THE "MOVIES"

DEPUTATION TO THE BOARD OF TRADE

London, Yesterday.  
 The Parliament Secretary to the Board of Trade (Mr. W. R. Smith) received a deputation from the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association to-day, which made certain proposals for securing a greater changeability of pictures on a different reproducing apparatus. He promised that their representations should be given careful consideration and that a further meeting may be held later.—British Wireless Service.

## DIPLOMATIC POST

TRANSFERRED FROM BELGRADE TO STOCKHOLM

London, Yesterday.  
 The King has approved the appointment of Sir Howard William Kennard, British Minister at Belgrade, to be British Minister at Stockholm.—British Wireless Service.

## THE COLONIES

DEVELOPMENT BILL—SECOND READING

London, Yesterday.  
 The House of Commons has passed the second reading of the Colonial Development Bill.—Reuter.

## Water Reflections

RUNNING WATER PURER OR STAGNANT?

Information which is sometimes very simple and pointed in its effect comes from most unexpected sources. A weekly publication as an aid to learning the English language has been sent to the "China Mail." One of the chapters is "Scientific Questions. Answered." Under the heading of "Why is Running Water Purer than Stagnant Water," Mr. Dzien Tsung (Chin Tsung in Cantonese) explains:—

"Though we think of water as a thing which does not do much, yet, in point of fact, it is always doing things. It is the great supporter of life, in the first place. Also, it is the great dissolver of gases and of solids from the air above it, and these gases and solids help to sup-

port life. So stagnant water very quickly becomes filled with living creatures and with the products of their lives. We call it impure just because that does not happen to be the kind of water that we prefer to drink. But really, though we give it a bad name, it is doing the great work of water on the earth.

Rich in Gases

Even the water we call pure contains a great number of other things in it besides water, and that is especially true of running water, which is rich in gases. It is probably not very long since running water existed in the form of rain.

FINE TO CLOUDY

This morning's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—  
 Pressure is highest in the vicinity of the Bonins and a depression lies to the north-east of Hokkaido.  
 The typhoon is situated about 50 miles south of Ishigakijima moving N.N.W. or N.  
 Forecast: westerly winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

The American Consulate-General has received the following telegram from the Manila Observatory:—  
 July 8, 10.30 a.m.—Typhoon about 125 degrees Long. E. and 22 degrees Lat. N. moving N.

which is much the purest of all the natural forms of water, although it also contains a certain amount of dust, and always a certain quantity of the gases in the air dissolved in it.

It is the gases in running water that make it so nice to taste, and this really makes more difference than we think. Every one of us knows that the proper way to make tea was with water taken from a running stream. If we compare such tea with tea made from pure distilled water, we shall see that the latter was a very poor drink indeed.

BRITAIN'S WATER

EFFECT OF THE RECENT DROUGHT

APPEAL FOR ECONOMY

London, Yesterday.  
 Although a general appeal for economy in the use of water, in view of the prolonged drought, has been made by the Ministry of Health, immediate anxiety regarding the supplies is felt only in certain areas, notably Thames and Lee Rivers and by springs, there is no anxiety. The flow of the Thames is well maintained, considering the drought and a good flow is maintained in the Lee.—British Wireless Service.

Marvellous Additions

These Communists had so free help themselves to all food supplies and other convertible wealth in the district that it could scarcely continue to support the populace remaining, not to speak of an army. Therefore, Chen Kuo-hui brought his forces to Tong-an, a city on the coast near enough to Changchow to permit him to co-operate with Chang Chen. He is still in Tong-an to-day.

These so-called Communists under Mao Tse-tung, strange to say, have been rapidly and marvellously adding to their forces. When they first began their operations

in Kwangtung against the Kwangsi faction, Generals Chang Chen and Chen Kuo-hui obeyed the order of the National Government to proceed against Swatow, where supporters of the Kwangsi faction were stationed. Near Choachowfu, these generals from Fukien were jointly and severely (not severally) defeated.

A hasty retreat followed. General Chang Chen reached his base in Changchow with the number of his soldiers considerably reduced, and the loss of several of his best officers. General Chen Kuo-hui did not fare so well. During his absence the reputed Communist, Mao Tse-tung (locally called Chu Teh), who had previously laid waste the city and district of Tingchow in the extreme west of Fukien, has entered Lungyenchow and duplicated his pernicious work.

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## MILITARY "CHESS"

GAME OF NO RULES PLAYED IN FUKIEN

### DANGER OF A LOCAL SOVIET

[From Our Own Correspondent.]  
 Amoy, Monday.

Military chess is now in full swing in the south of Fukien province.

Petty generals and bandit leaders, for some months past, have been manoeuvring for positions of advantage. They advance for attack and then retreat for defence, until more favourable opportunity offers. One by one small pawns succumb. Now and then a principal piece is removed from the board. Rules of the games are commonly disregarded. The old desire for personal power and influence seems to continue paramount. Strength prevails, overriding the desires of the people and the welfare of the public.

Numbers of the population die from powder and lead, but more yield to the deadening effects of poverty and distress forced upon them through robbery and plunder of bandits, and the ravenous desires of greedy and uncontrolled soldiers.

#### Who's Who

The who's who of the present unhappy situation in South Fukien includes four outstanding men. Colonel K. K. Lin, of the Chinese Navy, has for some years been Defence Commissioner of Amoy and Chuanchowfu. His influence extends over the city and island of Amoy, and the Chuanchowfu district on the coast of the mainland north of Amoy.

General Chang Chen (Cheung Tsing) has held the same position in Changchow, where for some years his word has been law throughout the large district surrounding that important city.

The western part of the province was given over to General Chen Kuo-hui, whose headquarters was at Lungyenchow.

#### Self-Nominated Red

Lesser lights have from time to time carried on more or less independently within the mountainous and inaccessible regions. However, one of these is to-day probably the most important figure in the whole situation. He is none other than the self-nominated general, Mao Tse-tung, leader of a band of out-and-out Communists professing allegiance to none.

The position of Colonel Lin in Amoy is fairly secure. In addition to being located well away from the beaten track of moving armies, Amoy is well protected by water. Colonel Lin enjoys the reputation of being a fair and just administrator. He has fostered city and civic improvements and is generally well liked by the public. His influence in Chuanchowfu and on the mainland may be wrested from him, but it will be rather difficult to oust him from Amoy.

#### Hasty Retreat

When war recently broke out in Kwangtung against the Kwangsi faction, Generals Chang Chen and Chen Kuo-hui obeyed the order of the National Government to proceed against Swatow, where supporters of the Kwangsi faction were stationed. Near Choachowfu, these generals from Fukien were jointly and severely (not severally) defeated.

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### A LITTLE HINT

WHAT A LADY M.P. SEEKS TO OBTAIN

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 In the House of Commons, Miss Wilkinson (Labour, Middleborough, East) called attention to the Shanghai Municipal Council proposing to sell their electricity undertaking for £10,000,000, of which sum over £6,000,000 was for "Goodwill."

She declared that this goodwill was largely the result of expenditure borne by the British taxpayer and asked whether, if the sale proceeded, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (Mr. A. Henderson) would invite the Council to contribute £3,000,000 to that expenditure.

Mr. Henderson replied that he had no information how much of the £10,000,000 represented goodwill nor what part, if any, of the goodwill value was the result of the expenditure borne by the British taxpayer.

He sympathised with the view that residents of Shanghai should bear a proper share of the cost of their own defence but, obviously, it would be improper for an International Municipality on Chinese soil to contribute towards the cost of the British Army.

Miss Wilkinson suggested that the "Shanghai Defence Force" was sent out at the request of these people and that it was largely responsible for their security, the goodwill of which they were now selling.—Reuter.

## THE "LOK SUN"

FURTHER SALVAGE WORK IN PROGRESS

### TAIKOO TUG ASSISTS

Interviewed by a "China Mail" man this morning Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, M.L.A., principal of Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, said that further salvage work was being carried out, in that the Taikoo tug had been sent out yesterday afternoon.

Capt. G. D. Arthur, another principal of the same firm, went out to the "Lok Sun" this morning.

tions in Kiangsi province, they were said to have been a mere band of a few hundred men. To-day they are reputed to have a combined strength of eight or ten thousand troops and now control the entire south-western part of Fukien Province. Furthermore, all appearances seem to indicate that this Communist leader has obtained the co-operation and support of the defeated Kwangsi troops (under Hsu King-tong) who have just recently been driven out of Swatow, and who have retreated into south Fukien.

#### Dango: to Fukien

All available reports state that these combined forces are gradually approaching Changchow from both south and west. During the last few days, hundreds of Chinese have been pouring into Amoy from the Changchow district. Their reports assert that Changchow will surely fall into the hands of the Communists within a few days.

If these predictions come true, the bandit-infested regions about Yungchun and Hinghwafu could easily be brought into their fold, since these districts are already reputed to be strongly inclined towards Communism. Then the whole of south Fukien would be under the control of Mao Tse-tung, with the possible exception of Amoy.

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**SYMPTOMS DISCUSSED**

(Continued from yesterday.)

The following is a continuation of the interesting lecture on "The Debilitated Child" which was recently delivered by C. Wilfred Vining, M.D., F.R.C.P., Professor of Children's Diseases, Leeds University, and Physician to the Children's Department, General Infirmary, Leeds, and was published in the British Medical Journal.

The throat and the alimentary tract suggest themselves as the two important points from which toxæmias may arise. The time has not yet come to define accurately the relationship of unhealthy conditions of the nasopharynx to the debilitated state; it will require a wide statistical survey over a considerable number of years before the final verdict can be given. The problem is, however, of such importance that I am bound to consider it.

Abnormalities of the nasopharynx are not confined to children of the hospital class, but I know of no figures which give the relative incidence between one class and another. Such statistics would possibly help in deciding the factors at work causing enlargement of tonsils and adenoids.

There are many who would estimate the importance of the abnormalities of the nasopharynx in this way. Enlargement of tonsils and adenoids is common to all classes. The cause of the enlargement is repeated infections, to which all are prone. Among those children who are also debilitated or whose environment is defective such reaction to infection is likely to result in a greater degree of unhealthyness of the nasopharynx, and it is likely that absorption of organisms and their toxins will take place more readily. Hence the more frequent development of symptoms due to septic absorption amongst these children. It has been stated that the reason why Eton boys are free from rheumatic infection is because 70 per cent. of them have had their tonsils and adenoids removed before joining the school.

**Results of Operations**  
During 1922 Kaiser reported from America the result of the operation upon the weights of a series of 1,200 children between the ages of 3 and 15 years. He writes:

"They were all urgent cases and presented themselves for operation because of throat symptoms, and not because of malnutrition. As compared with similar children 7 per cent. were overweight, 59 per cent. were of average weight, and 34 per cent. were underweight. After periods of six to nine months the percentages of these three weight groups were changed so that 50 per cent. of the underweight group had attained normal weight."

Obviously diseased tonsils and adenoids do not necessarily impair nutrition, but the improvement in the underweight group after their removal suggests that they may do so. Recently Paterson and Bray have shown that in selected cases removal of nasopharyngeal infection was followed by increase of weight and the clearing up of numerous constitutional symptoms, apart from any improvement in the local condition.

**Rheumatic Affection**  
I would, however, remind you that there are other sides of the problem which require to be set off against these findings and opinions. In the first place, the numerous disturbances and symptoms which may appear in conjunction with the unhealthy nasopharynx do frequently occur in children whose throats show no abnormalities and whose glands at the angle of the jaw are not enlarged. The rheumatic affection, including heart lesions, occurs in children whose throats have been thoroughly cleared. It is not uncommon to find that certain symptoms, such as enuresis or bilious attacks, cease immediately after the operation, only to recur again after some months. This is in keeping with the peculiar way in which these symptoms will occur for a time in connection with all kinds of psychological stimuli, and certainly one could instance cases in which enuresis started for the first time after the operation; indeed, I need hardly remind you that this operation performed upon a nervous child sometimes accentuates the nervous condition in a most distressing way. I would also point to the frequency with which aural discharge follows the operation and to the by no means infrequent development of enlargement of the cervical glands during the months or years which follow. These unfortunate happenings, and the fact that acute rheumatism, and especially chorea, occasionally follow in the wake of the operation, may, of course, be attributed to the stirring up of a germ nest, with resulting dissemination into the local structures or the system generally, and

it could be said that the eradication of the germ nest was the lesser of two evils, notwithstanding the results which followed. But here again it should be mentioned that acute rheumatic chorea, which all agree is a streptococcal endocarditis, may undoubtedly follow a shock of any type.

**A Comparison**  
J. H. P. Paton has recently compared children who have had the operation performed with children who have not. Both groups of children belong to the professional and well-to-do class and are pupils attending a large boarding school. He writes:

"It is evident that those subjected to the operation were not only no better than the rest, but were actually worse in practically every particular with the exception of enlarged cervical glands."

My own personal impressions have been that when the local condition of the throat is obviously unhealthy and the nasopharynx is obstructed, the operation, besides remedying the local condition, does undoubtedly produce good and often striking results in the child's general health. These results, however, are often only temporary, and the symptoms not infrequently return after a few months. I have also seen children whose debilitated state seems to date from the removal of their tonsils and adenoids, and a recent review of cases has increased my belief that the routine removal of the tonsils and adenoids of debilitated children is a mistake and should only be undertaken after a thorough review of the child's condition. I have figures which refer to 100 children who have had their tonsils and adenoids removed and 200 children who have not; both groups belong to the poorer classes of the community, and all of them come under the broad classification of debilitated children. These children have been watched for periods ranging from six months to three years, and the figures relating to the tonsillectomized group only deal with the post-operation period. I find that for each six months period the "no operation" group shows an average greater gain of weight than the "operation" group.

**Gains in Weight**  
Of the 100 tonsillectomized children 23 had had the operation performed previous to their first attendance at my clinic, and in only 29 other cases was it possible to compare the weight gains before and after the operation. In the six months after operation 12 showed a greater gain, 14 showed a lesser gain, and 3 showed an equal gain in weight. Comparing periods of twelve months before and after the operation, 3 showed a greater gain in the year following operation, 7 showed a lesser gain, and 1 showed an equal gain.

A legitimate criticism of my figures would be that the children who ceased to attend after operation would quite likely be those who had so improved in health that further attendance was deemed unnecessary by the parent. I can only say that in a small minority who were looked up and prevailed upon to return for examination the gain in weight did not encourage me to believe that failure to attend was due to return of health. In my opinion the benefits derived from this operation have some relation to the chances of convalescence afterwards, to the type of home to which the child returns, to the state of the child's nutrition at the time, and lastly, to the efficiency of the mother. This also may be said: anything short of complete enucleation is useless, and should be discouraged. The operation should not be undertaken in cases where the local condition does not warrant it merely on the off-chance that the child's health defect may be improved.

**Tuberculosis Considered**  
While discussing the influence of the toxæmias the question of tuberculosis must be mentioned. Many of these children are labelled as tuberculous or pre-tuberculous. Some 50 per cent. of them give a positive skin reaction to tuberculin, but I am confident that their debility and their symptoms are not due to tuberculous disease. Watched over a period of years they do not behave like tuberculous cases, and they do not blossom out into frank cases of tuberculosis during adolescence. The age period I am dealing with is particularly free from mortality from tuberculosis, and while risking the criticism of dogmatism I would say that frank tuberculosis arising during adolescence is usually a fresh infection developed from contact with another individual with the disease.

It may very naturally be suggested that a local gland lesion might be sufficient to produce a debilitated influence and toxæmia. This I would very much doubt as in my

experience purely local disease, when obviously present, does not produce either debility or the kind of symptoms we have been discussing.

**Digestive Disturbances & Debility**  
A proportion of cases of debility with symptoms referable to digestive processes could be classified at once as examples of so-called chronic dyspepsia, and severe cases fall into line with the "mucous disease" described by the late Dr. Eustace Smith. But among all these debilitated children constipation or loose stools—much more frequently the former—loss of appetite, abdominal pain, threadworms, and mucous discharge occur with considerable frequency, and it is only when these symptoms show themselves prominently in the history and clinical picture that the condition is labelled "dyspepsia." The word "dyspepsia" is unsatisfactory, as it implies local disturbance in the alimentary tract, and tends to direct our attention from the wider and more important basis upon which the debilitated state develops. I may instance in this connection the symptoms of threadworms. Few fidgety children escape being treated for worms, the reason being that parents have learnt to appreciate how frequently threadworms appear in the stools of such children. The parasites may occur temporarily in the excreta of healthy children, yet their continued presence is an indication of an underlying state of the bowel wall which makes it possible for the worm to establish itself. Exactly similar clinical states are seen in children whose stools are free from worms, but which contain large quantities of mucous material.

**The Defence Mechanism**  
We are dealing, I believe, with a constitutional and nutritional disturbance in which all the systems of the body are involved, but in which the alimentary tract and digestive function are more particularly implicated. There is an impairment of the defence mechanism, and a defect both in the secretion of the different digestive juices and in the absorbing powers of the bowel wall. If this view is accepted then, notwithstanding the assertion of the bacteriologist and the pathologist that microbial and toxic absorption from the intestinal tract is unlikely, it is not unreasonable to believe that many of these toxæmias arise within the digestive system.

It is this conception of the debilitated state which leads me to suggest that we are dealing with a health defect which belongs to the group of deficiency diseases. Authority is always emphasizing the importance of a better diet for children, yet when the problems of subnutrition are investigated, and discussed the im-

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The directors of Wilton's Engineering and Shipway Company in their report for 1928 say results have been substantially better than in 1927, the good volume of repair work having contributed materially. Prospects for the repair departments are considered very satisfactory. The building department last year booked orders for a refrigerated cargo and passenger motorship of 12,000 tons from the Holland American Line, for the hull of a cargo motor ship of 9,500 tons for the Rotterdam Lloyd from the Fijenoord Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., who are constructing the machinery for this ship, a hopper dredger for Netherlands owners, a hopper-suction dredger for the port of Seville, and a bucket dredger for the port of Santander.

Reduced Working Time  
From January 1, 1929, permission to work overtime has not been renewed, and the working time has accordingly been reduced from 50 to 48 hours per week.

Considerable work was again required last year for the extension of buildings and plant. The average number of men employed has increased to 1,122, compared with 1,198 in 1927, and the amount paid in wages has been 6,687,231 gils., compared with 4,652,115 gils.

In the company's pontoon docks 468 vessels of 2,506,690 tons have been raised, with 1,519 dock days, and 36 sea-going vessels of 34,368 tons have been repaired on the slipways. 44 ships of 127,781 tons were attended to in the corporation pontoon docks, and 134 river ships have been repaired on the slipways. Three cargo and passenger steamers, built to the orders of the Koninklijke Paketvaart-Maatschappij, last year; the engine department completed a marine steam engine of 500 ind. h.p. and three boilers of 470 sq. metres heating surface. Work in hand, in addition to the vessels referred to above and the work of completing the new Holland-America liner "Statendam" at the end of last year included five marine engines of 1,650 ind. h.p. and eleven boilers of 1,876 sq. metres heating surface.

The working agreement with Fijenoord Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. has given satisfactory results and on both sides there is a desire to run the two works for mutual account. Proposals to carry out this object, which will call for a Yard Co. will be submitted to the shareholders shortly. Close co-operation, under a definite agreement, with possibly a fusion of technical administrative and other departments, will undoubtedly result in further economies.

After allowing 1,146,854 gils. for depreciation, compared with 907,205 gils. for 1927, and adding 100,000 gils. to miscellaneous reserves, 855,000 gils. can be paid to shareholders and 44,616 gils. will be carried forward. The book value of the work in hand is 1,769,428 gils., compared with 723,822 gils. at the end of 1927, and instalments received appear at 1,391,928 (462,800) gils. The nominal value of ordinary shares issued by Wilton's Engineering and Shipway Co. is 1,250,000 gils., the balance of 43% per cent. debenture loan is 420,000 gils., and of a loan on the 46,000 tons pontoon dock 4,052,873 gils., while the funds include statutory reserve 1,000,000 gils., extra reserves 10,500,000 gils., depreciation fund 4,200,000 gils., and miscellaneous reserves 400,000 gils.

Workshop Engineering Co.  
The annual report for last year refers to the agreement made with Messrs. Sulzer Bros. at the end of last year, under which the Werkspoor Company will, in future, build two-cycle Sulzer engines, while, of course, Werkspoor diesel engines will be continued. An agreement has also been made with the Hannover Engineering Company, Hanomag, under which the Werkspoor Company will construct that firm's special types of boilers. A steam-turbine engine of 1,500 tons capacity has been erected at Amsterdam.

The number of men employed at the Amsterdam and Zuilten works at the end of last year was 3,103, compared with 2,896 at the end of 1927, and the amount paid in wages has been 4,858,000 gils., compared with 3,764,000 gils. for 1927.

The principle marine engineering jobs completed last year included diesel engines for the motorships "Hallanger," "Pinnager," "Tromp," "Trident," "Martha," "E. Allen," and "Megara," steam-engines for the twin-screw steamer "Josephine," and part of the engine-room equipment of the Netherlands motor-ship "Christian Huygens." Work in hand at the end of 1928 included complete sets of machinery for a motorship and two steamers, six main diesel engines for five motorships, four turbines for two torpedo-boat destroyers, and part of the machinery equipment for two large motorships. Other work in hand includes two powerful pumping stations for the work of draining the Zuider Zee.

The net profit after making allowance for depreciation and expenses and adding 120,000 gils. to employees' fund is 781,627 gils., compared with 604,907 gils. for 1927, and from this 7 per cent. dividend will be paid on "A" shares, and 5 1/2 per cent. on "B" shares, compared with 8 and 5 per cent. respectively for 1927. The value of work in hand is 12,281,580 guilders.

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Machinery  
The propelling machinery, supplied by Dodwell & Co. Ltd., consists of a twin set of Gardner Full Diesel, Crude Oil Engines, each developing 152 B.H.P. at normal rating. Each engine is complete with its own circulating pump, bilge pump and air compressor.

As the engines are of the direct reversing type, transmission reversing gears are dispensed with the shafting and propellers being driven direct through clutches.

An auxiliary set and electrically driven general service pump are included amongst the engine room equipment. The auxiliary set comprises a T. H. P. Gardner Semi-Diesel engine driving an air compressor and a Lancashire Dynamo of 4 1/2 K.W. for the general lighting of the ship.

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In spite of heavy seas, they took off 42 passengers, including the American Consul-General, Mr. Cunningham, and his wife. The U.S. destroyers "Black Hawk" and "Beaver" are standing by. The officers and crew are still aboard.

## No Further News

"We have heard nothing more about the N.D.L. 'Derfflinger' said Mr. W. Spörle, of the staff of Melchers & Co., the local agents, when approached by a "China Mail" man this morning.

## THE "IRANIA"

SUCCESSFUL MAIDEN  
VOYAGE

The tanker "Iranian"—the first ship to be powered with a Richardson Westgarth oil engine—has now completed her maiden voyage, having made a non-stop run from Constantinople to Rouen. Full details of the working of the machinery are not yet available, but it is gratifying to be able to state that, since the vessel started on this round voyage from Holyhead, there has been no reason to stop on account of machinery, which has run at all speeds of revolutions highly satisfactorily, the manoeuvring being in all cases better than was expected. It is hoped to give details of the performance of the engine at an early date.

## NETHERLAND SHIPPING

The Koninklijke Paketvaart-Maatschappij, Amsterdam, which maintains inter-island communications in the Netherlands East Indies and runs to British India and to Australia, with a fleet of 135 vessels, aggregating 261,201 gross register tons, records a gross profit of 45,426,535 gils. for last year, compared with 14,830,236 gils. for 1927, and including 14,532,973 (13,538,569) gils. on voyage accounts. After allowing for depreciation &c. the net profit is 6,169,596 gils. from which 14 per cent. dividend will be paid.

The Java-China-Japan Line, Amsterdam, record a gross profit of 2,147,949 gils. compared with 1,851,280 gils. for 1927. After making allowance for depreciation &c. the net profit is 1,583,333 gils., compared with 1,000,000 gils., and shareholders will receive a dividend of 7 per cent., against 6 per cent. for 1927.

## H.M.S. "WORCESTER"

Lieutenant-Commander Gordon Charles Steele, V.C., R.N., has been appointed Captain-Superintendent of the Thames Nautical Training College, H.M.S. "Worcester," of Greenwich. Kent in succession to the late Captain M. B. Sayer. Lieutenant-Commander Steele is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society, a Younger Brother of Trinity House, and a master mariner.

## OLD TAYLOR

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KARMALA	9,128	16th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*NAGAPORE	5,231	30th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MIRZAPUR	6,715	1st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
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Hong Kong, 17th July, 1929.

## CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ELLERMAN LINE.

From EUROPE.

The Steamship,

"CITY OF TOKIO"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo  
by her are informed that all goods  
are being landed at their risk into the  
hazardous and/or extra-hazardous God-  
owns of Holt's Wharf, whence deliv-  
ery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after  
the Goods have left the Godowns, and  
all Goods remaining undelivered after  
22nd July, 1929, will be subject to  
rent.

All claims against the Steamer  
must be presented to the Under-  
signed on or before 29th July, 1929, or  
they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on any  
Tuesday or Friday, between the  
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within  
the Free Storage period of One Week.  
No Fire Insurance has been effect-  
ed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

General Agents.

Hong Kong, 16th July, 1929.

## THE BEN LINE STEAMERS,

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From LEITH, MIDDLESBRO',

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The Steamship,

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby in-  
formed that all Goods are being land-  
ed at their risk into the hazardous  
and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of  
The Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or  
from the wharves delivery may be ob-  
tained.

No claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after the  
29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must  
be presented to the Under-signed on or  
before the 3rd August, 1929, or they  
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged  
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on the  
19th inst. at 10 a.m., by Messrs.  
Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effect-

ed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., LTD.,

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of the Hong Kong and Kowloon  
Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at  
Kowloon, whence and/or from the  
wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded  
unless notice to the contrary be given  
before 12th instant.

No claims will be admitted after  
the Goods have left the Godown, and  
all Goods remaining undelivered after  
the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must  
be presented to the Under-signed on or  
before the 1st prox. or they will not  
be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged  
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on the  
22nd inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors  
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effect-

ed.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned

by

DODWELL &amp; CO. LTD.,

Agents.

Hong Kong, 16th July, 1929.

## OLD TAYLOR

AGED BY TIME.

## DEBILITATED CHILD

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portance of the diet is not always  
insisted upon to the same degree  
as the other factors of the environ-  
ment.

## Environmental Factors

This may be illustrated by the  
results of a recent investigation  
undertaken on behalf of the Medi-  
cal Research Council to ascertain  
the relationship of defective  
growth and health of children to  
poverty, diet, and other environ-  
mental factors. The main conclu-  
sion arrived at is that the chief  
factor determining growth and  
health is maternal efficiency,  
which, we might assume, would be  
correlated with good and bad feed-  
ing; yet the opinion expressed in  
the report was that the family diet  
does not explain discrepancies in  
nutrition and health between  
different groups of children. Fur-  
thermore, the statement is made in  
the report that a diet containing  
10 to 12 per cent. of protein is  
well balanced with regard to this  
essential constituent—a statement  
which seems to me seriously to im-  
pair the value of the conclusions  
finally arrived at.

A 10 to 12 per cent. protein  
ration is the recognized adult al-  
lowance, though even for an adult  
this may be insufficient if the  
source of the protein is largely  
vegetable. It is also likely that  
the adult members of the family  
would consume relatively a  
greater amount of the available  
protein, especially of the animal  
type, leaving to the smaller mem-  
bers of the family an amount of  
protein far below their minimum  
requirements, together with that  
part of the household's food which  
has always been looked upon as  
safer and more suitable for small  
children—namely, the carbo-  
hydrate. Protein is indispensable  
and non-interchangeable. The  
problems of the adult and the child  
are entirely different, and all  
authorities agree that the younger  
child the greater the amount  
and proportion of protein needed  
for maintenance, repair, and  
growth. Holt and Fales say that  
the average adult requires ap-  
proximately 0.45 gram of protein  
per lb. of weight, and suggest that  
it is reasonable to suppose that  
the child requires 0.45 to 0.68 gram  
per lb. of weight for maintenance  
alone, and insist that more is  
necessary for growth, and that for  
the child animal protein should be  
given in preference to vegetable.  
They quote Gillett, who collected  
information from the literature up  
to 1917 with reference to the in-  
take of healthy children between 2  
and 15 years, as the protein intake  
to be 1.5 to 1 gram per lb. They  
also quote Gephart and Cameron,  
who give the amounts as 1.3 to 1  
gram per lb. for children and  
adolescents.

## Diet of Animal Origin

The observations of Holt and  
Fales upon a series of healthy  
children over 1 year indicate that  
approximately 15 per cent. of the  
total calories taken are protein  
calories, and that two-thirds of the  
protein is of animal origin. They  
also noted that the younger and  
more active child took the larger  
proportion. Crozer Griffith states  
that 20 to 25 per cent. of diet  
should be protein and 50 per cent.  
of it should be of animal origin.

Corry Mann has recently com-  
pared the effects of adding certain  
foods to the basic diet of groups  
of boys living under identical con-  
ditions; his results show that the  
daily addition of a pint of milk  
causes greater increase in height  
and weight than the addition of  
other foods—for example, casein,  
butter, etc. Although adding  
casein instead of a pint of milk  
meant giving some 300 less  
calories, yet it appears to be in-  
ferred that the greater gain in

height and weight when milk was  
given must be due to other consti-  
tuents than the protein. Leighton  
and Clark have shown, however,  
that the gain in weight and height  
is much the same, whether whole  
or separated milk is given, and I  
suggest that this proves that it is  
the protein which is the important  
factor.

## A Warning

Hutchison warns us against the  
danger of protein underfeeding.  
He writes that habitual underfeed-  
ing with protein is more injurious  
than underfeeding with fat and  
carbohydrate, and leads to what  
he aptly calls threadbare tissues.  
I am satisfied that the majority of  
these children do not receive any-  
thing like the amount of protein  
necessary for maintenance, repair,  
and growth. That protein is not  
the only deficiency is likely. There  
is a considerable amount of avail-  
able evidence suggesting that lack  
of vitamin A is a factor in lower-  
ing resistance to infections (Green  
and Mellanby's work in this con-  
nection is important), and I would  
mention the work of McCarrison  
in connection with lack of vitamin  
B.

## Treatment

Prophylaxis should be our first  
consideration, and the future lies  
in that direction. The problem of  
the child's diet is bigger than  
medicine, but not until the medi-  
cal profession clearly defines what  
that diet shall be and how it stands  
in relation to the child's health  
shall we get authority to realize  
that diet stands higher than educa-  
tion and psychology in the full de-  
velopment of the child's mental  
and physical health. It is useless  
to expect improvement in health  
by means of throat operations,  
artificial sunlight, commercial con-  
centrated vitamins, and psycholo-  
gical clinics, while at the same  
time the child's tissue cell is  
seriously handicapped by per-  
sistent underfeeding of essential  
food constituents.

Immediate symptoms may be re-  
lieved by sugar, alkalis, laxatives,  
malt preparations, sedatives, and  
so forth; convalescent treatment  
and holidays from home are tem-  
porarily useful; attention to the  
throats of properly selected cases  
may produce immediate improve-  
ment; but all these together can-  
not remove from our midst the de-  
bilitated child while the diet re-  
mains persistently unsatisfactory.

## PASSENGER LIST

## ARRIVALS

Per s.s. "Mishima Maru" from  
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## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
Asia" arrived at Kobe on July 16  
(Tues.) at 8 a.m., left Kobe on July  
16 (Tues.) at 4 p.m., and was due at  
Shimizu on July 17 (Wed.) at 7  
a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
France" arrived at Kobe on July 16  
(Tues.) at 4.30 p.m., left Kobe on  
July 17 (Wed.) at 6 a.m., and is due  
at Shanghai on July 19 (Fri.) at  
9.30 a.m. She leaves Shanghai on  
July 20 (Sat.), noon.  
The American Mail Liner "Presi-  
dent Jefferson" was scheduled to sail

from Shanghai yesterday and will ar-  
rive at this port on Friday, July 19.  
She will sail on the following day at  
6 p.m. for Manila.  
The American Mail Liner "Presi-  
dent McKinley" will sail from Manila  
on Saturday, July 20 at 8 a.m., and  
will arrive at this port on Monday,  
July 22 at 7 a.m. This steamer will  
sail at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23  
for Victoria and Seattle via Shang-  
hai and Japan.  
The Dollar Round-the-World Liner  
"President Monroe" is due to arrive  
in Kobe to-day and will sail on  
July 19 for Shanghai, arriving at  
that port on July 22 and sailing on  
July 24. This steamer is due at this  
port at 7 a.m. on Saturday, July 27  
and will continue her journey on Sun-  
day, July 28 at 8 a.m.  
The Dollar Liner "President Lin-  
coln" from Seattle on July 13, is due  
at Hong Kong on August 2.

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Pres. V. Buren Sun. Aug. 25, 8 Pres. Adams Sun. Oct. 6, 6 p.m.

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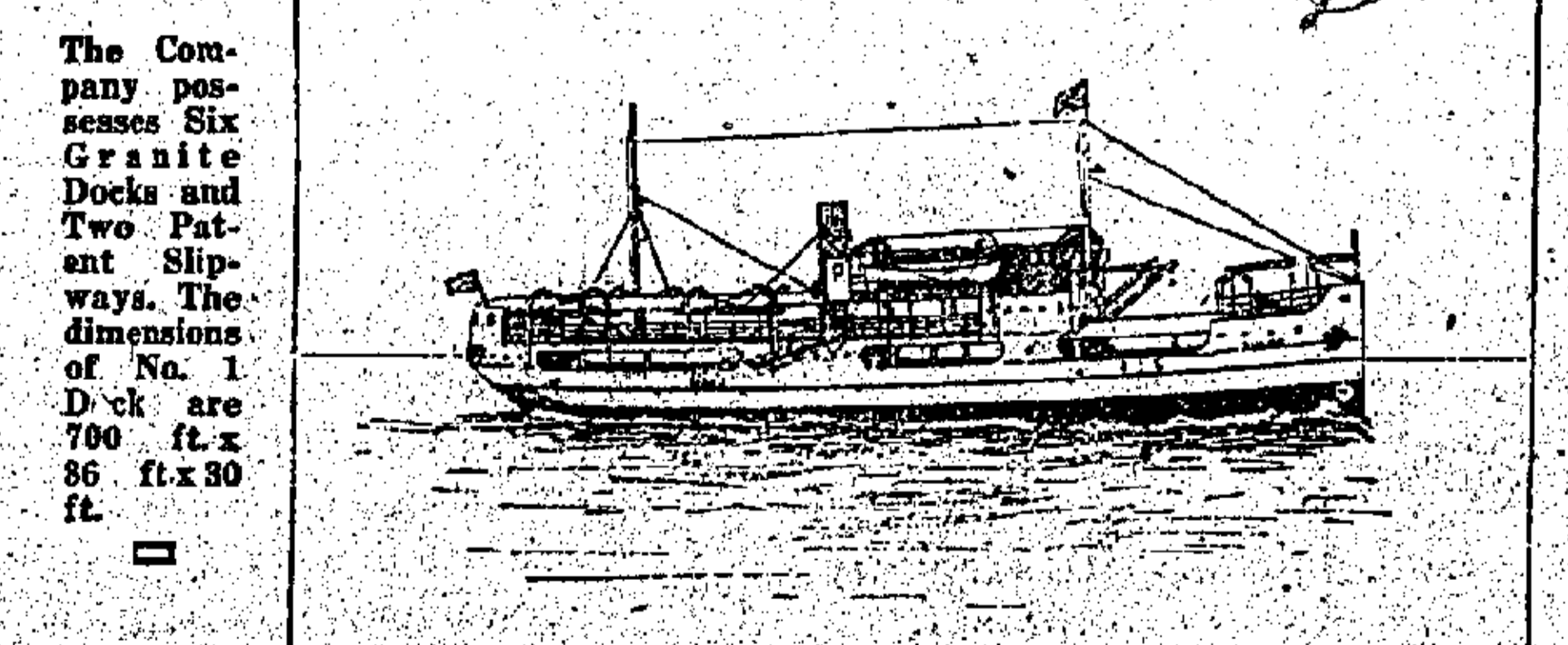
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## WAR DECLARED?

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## "China Will Resist"

He added that there were alarming rumours of military preparations by the Soviet.

"The National Government will resist any such to the end." He concluded that a certain Power was reported to be attempting to utilise the opportunity for expansion of its interests in Manchuria under the pretext of protecting its existing rights in that territory in regard to which it was seeking to act as mediator. He hoped that such a report would prove to be entirely unfounded.—Reuter.

## Dr. Wang Expected

Shanghai, To-day. It is the belief of Dr. C. T. Wang, Minister for Foreign Affairs, when interviewed by Pressmen on his departure from Tsingtao on his way to Nanking, that actual war between Russia and China will not break out, although the present grave situation seemed to be fraught with possibilities. However, he will know more of the affair on his return to Nanking (said Dr. Wang) and will take proper measures to deal with the situation.

Mr. Wang is expected to arrive at Shanghai this afternoon.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

## Earlier Japanese View

Mukden, Yesterday. In the opinion of Japanese diplomatic circles, no anxiety is felt in regard to the development of the Chinese Eastern Railway trouble, as both the Chinese and Soviet Governments are (it is considered) showing moderate attitudes and willingness to enter into negotiations for the peaceful settlement of all issues concerning the Chinese Eastern Railway.

The Manchurian authorities have declared that they will not dismiss any more of the Russian employees of the Railway if the latter refrain from seditious action against the Chinese Government.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

## Tokyo, Yesterday.

Official Japanese circles appear relieved that China has replied to Moscow before the expiry of the three days stipulated in Russia's ultimatum, and seem more confident that a peaceful settlement is now assured.—Reuter.

## Eyes on Nippon!

Canton, Yesterday. A message from Shanghai was received by the Canton Wireless Station. The contents show that the Sino-Russian situation is not as serious as described by recent reports from various sources. The Great Powers are believed to be co-operating to use their influence peacefully to settle this Chinese Eastern Railway problem.

Particular attention, however, is being given to the attitude of Japan.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

## One-Sided Abrogation

Moscow, Yesterday. Earlier passages in the Soviet reply say that the Chinese Government practically rejects the Soviet's three moderate proposals and sanctions a one-sided abrogation of the Peking and Mukden agreements, thus destroying the possibility of normal relations; justifies the seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway; sanctions the unlawful repressions of Soviet citizens' institutions; and evades the question of an immediate convoking of a conference, thereby destroying the possibility of an amicable settlement.—Reuter.

## Canton's "A Way Out"

Canton, Yesterday. The Cantonese are taking a calm attitude in regard to the present strained situation between China and Russia. They believe a way will be found by the National Government in Nanking for an amicable settlement of the matter in dispute. The Chinese papers have, in general, refrained from commenting on the possible outcome of the present situation in Manchuria.—Canton News Agency.

## Chang Hsueh-liang

Peking, Yesterday. In spite of the grave state of affairs in Manchuria, General Chang Hsueh-liang (head of the Government of the Three Provinces) still remains at Peitaiho, the summer resort near Peking.

Harbin appears to be flooded with rumours concerning troop movements across the frontier, regarding which very little reliable information is available.

Foreign travellers arriving at Harbin from Europe (by the trans-Siberian Railway) report heavy Russian troop movements between Lake Baikal and Manchuria.—Reuter.

## Yesterday's News

Shanghai, Yesterday. Latest information from reliable sources shows that the Soviet has decided to adopt a conciliatory attitude towards China regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway problem, in spite of previous reports pointing to the contrary. It is hoped here that the strained relations between Russia and China will be eased. Reports from Harbin contradict the rumour that Russian troops are

## NAVAL POLICY

## STATEMENT AS TO BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS

## THE "SUBS." QUESTION

London, Yesterday.

A series of questions bearing on the Government's Naval Programme, notably the reported intention to discontinue the building of submarines, was answered by Mr. A. V. Alexander, the "First Lord" in the House of Commons and foreshadowed the statement by the Premier on the whole question.

He was unable to give an actual date, but pointed out that the Government had repeatedly offered to discontinue the use of submarines, notably at Washington Conference in 1921.

That remains the Government's opinion, but an agreement was impossible until the other nations acceded thereto. He questioned whether the Government would renew the proposal at the next Conference on Naval Disarmament.

Mr. Alexander also said the Government were constantly bearing in mind the possibility of reaching an agreement and would restate their opinion on the first available opportunity.

He (Mr. Alexander) was at present unable to announce a date as to the decision regarding the Singapore Base as many departments were involved and the dominions must be consulted.—Reuter.

## COTTON WAGES

## JOINT DISCUSSIONS TO BE RESUMED

London, Yesterday.

The Ministry of Labour announces that the representatives of the Cotton Employers' Operatives Association have accepted Sir Horace Wilson's suggestion to resume joint discussions which, accordingly, will be held in Manchester on July 19.

Labour Ministry's Efforts. With the object of arranging for a joint conference, Sir Horace Wilson, permanent secretary to the Labour Ministry, consulted representatives of the Lancashire Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers and invited the operatives' leaders to come to London immediately.—Reuter.

## MEN'S WEAR

## THE PLEA FOR WEARING OF "SHORTS"

## THAT STIFF COLLAR

Once more there is agitation about the reform of male clothing. The head master of a public school has blessed "shorts" and then explained that he has no intention of taking prayers in this uniform. By so doing he has exemplified the weakness of the masculine position. Nearly everybody believes, for example, that the stiff collar is a deplorable symbol of bondage to convention, but nobody, when it comes to the point, will reject this tyranny of starched linen and go to a dance uncribbed and unconfined.

There are many arguments which may fitly be used against long trousers. They are a permanent embarrassment to sculptors and a permanent joy to those who wish to rule men's fashions. Everyone knows this, but where is the revolutionist who will insist on wearing "shorts" wherever he goes. The truth of the matter is that the reformer of men's clothing is usually more glib than practical. He is always advancing a theory which he is reluctant to practise. He can prove the impossibility of this and the absurdity of that, but when it comes to the point he wears both this and that.

The French nation have recently enjoyed the persuasive activities of an anti-collar league, but we do not suppose that there will be any common response to the complaint that man is born free but is everywhere in collars. It is so easy to grumble and so hard to innovate, so easy to protest and so hard to practise. Starched linen and long trousers they make up in custom, and where clothes are concerned the protestant in theory is generally the conservative in fact.—Manchester Guardian.

moving on the Manchurian border.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

## American Opinion

New York, Yesterday.

The Russo-Chinese crisis puts the Kellogg-Pact through its baptism of fire, declares the "New York World," which says that if the crisis moves toward war, other signatories of the Pact may be compelled to decide in the next few weeks whether the treaty does or does not mean anything.

In the circumstances, the burden of leadership rests with the United States, for it persuaded a reluctant and sceptical world to adopt the treaty.—Reuter's American Service.

## ZOO FOUNDER

## LARGE COLLECTION LOST AT SEA

## UNLUCKY RAFFLES

In the course of an article in the "Referee," Mr. L. S. Mason says:—The Zoological Society has done a happy thing, in its centenary year, in electing as honorary life fellows the Misses Raffles, the two great-grand-daughters of its founder. Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles was a rare mixture of administrator and scholar, enterprising, learned, brave, but unlucky, who in a comparatively short life gave to the British Empire Singapore and to the British public the London Zoo.

As a young man Raffles worked from 4 a.m. till 11 p.m. That was how he got his knowledge of natural history, for his normal working hours were given to the service of the East India Company. Sent East, and gaining promotion quickly, he became Governor of Java, and afterwards of Bencoolen.

Then, on furlough in England, and engaged in his favourite pastime of studying a map, he became obsessed by the strategic importance of the little island on which Singapore now stands, but which then was practically uninhabited. He had visited the island while engaged in natural history exploration, and now that the Dutch were busily laying their hands on all they could in the Eastern seas he saw that action must be taken at once.

At Singapore. The Company, prompted by him, bought the island from the Sultan of Johore, and on February 29, 1819, Raffles raised the British flag there and became first Governor. There is a bust of him, a replica of the one in the lion house at the Zoo, in the Raffles Institution, Singapore.

Raffles left Singapore on June 14, 1823, and spent six months in making a map of Sumatra. February 2, 1824, when he sailed for home, was, he said, the happiest of his life. The next day was the unhappiest.

During the many years he spent in the East, Raffles had assembled an array of animals, birds, fishes, and plants more splendid than any hitherto gathered together.

A lot of these he sent home in advance when he left Singapore, but the best of them he kept to take under his personal charge in a ship which was coming from England fitted especially to accommodate them.

For weeks he loaded the "Fame" with living and dead specimens. Perhaps he exaggerated, but he said that there was scarcely an unknown Eastern animal, bird, fish, or plant, which he had not got aboard.

Precious Cargo Lost. He put on the ship also 2,000 drawings, notes he had prepared for years on zoology and on the history of all the islands of the Eastern Archipelago, his map of the foundation of Singapore and of his administration there, native books, dictionaries, etc., in short, material for half a dozen volumes he intended to write during his retirement.

But before the ship had been a day at sea a cry of "Fire" was heard, and as it contained gunpowder Raffles and his family, in their night attire and without food, water, or clothing, scrambled into a boat, and by the lurid glare of the burning ship rowed for shore.

Not a single thing was saved. In an hour the fruit of years of loving labour perished. The ship itself was insured, all the Company had on board was a few tons of salt-petre, and the whole of the loss sustained, estimated at £30,000, fell on Stamford Raffles. But his fortitude was remarkable.

Champagne for Bear. Not for a moment did he repine, and the very day he landed he started to make another map of Sumatra and dispatched shikaris into the jungle to capture some more animals.

On the voyage home he committed to writing what he could remember of all he had prepared. It was from the mansion he bought at Highwood, near Barnet, that he sent out circulars asking support to establish "a collection of living animals in the Metropolis," and there he kept such animals as the shikaris had managed to get by the time he tried his luck at sea once more. One was a bear that he dined with champagne when it was ill.

He gave many specimens to the Society when it started in Bruton Street. But he often thought how much greater a contribution he could have made but for the fate that overcame him. "Noah's Ark," he died suddenly on July 5, 1826, and lies buried in a spot not exactly known, in Hendon Churchyard.

Mr. B. E. White, of Epsom, moved the adoption of the Rev. Stanley Morgan as the Socialist candidate for Epsom at the election, while his wife moved the adoption of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Parnell Kerr.

## STUDY YOUR CHILD

## PAY ATTENTION TO HIS HOBBIES

## THOUGHTLESS PARENTS

Right through their school lives—and often after—children are ardent devotees to the hobby habit.

They have it, like measles, in season and out of season. They have huge collections of stamps and cigarette cards, make horrible chemical smells in the scullery, photograph every available object within a radius of ten miles, or persist in blowing themselves up in their bedrooms.

And, considering the amount of real enjoyment that a child can get from a hobby, it seems rather a pity that thoughtless parents so often "put a stopper on it." Of course, it is rather aggravating to have one's dustbins covered with chemical stains, or a smell of white mice in the boot cupboard; but, all the same, if a child is to develop naturally he must be allowed to have his hobbies.

"More Horrible" And, for the delight of parents, the more intelligent and energetic the child, the more hobbies he will have and the more horrible they will be, very probably!

You can't bottle up a child. You can't make him quiet and orderly when he is bursting with high spirits and the sheer joy of being alive. You can't stop his brain working overtime his "whys" and "hows" and "ifs."

You can stop him keeping white mice or making chemical smells, certainly, but isn't that rather rough luck on him? You see, a child can be studied through his hobbies. He can be encouraged and helped so that the hobby becomes, unconsciously, a valuable lesson that will remain with him all his life. Naturally, he chooses the hobbies that most appeal to him, and through them his future life and work can be glimpsed.

Instinct Serving. The instinct to care for some live object, for instance, is very strong in most children. They like to keep a dog, or a canary, or something queer like blind worms or piebald rats. And, too, many a boy has made quite a sum of pocket-money by keeping rabbits or hens, or by managing a small garden profitably.

Well, of course, rats are not particularly pleasant when they get loose, and one is encountered on the stairs, and white mice smell abominably; but all the same, it's wiser to try and arrange matters somehow. A mother who has brought up five sons successfully, stated once that she never forbade animals, but that she always had a serious talk with the son beforehand.

She said: "I don't mind rabbits, but they must be cleaned out regularly on certain days. They must be fed regularly at certain hours. You are absolutely responsible for them. If you forget them, they will probably die. If you neglect them on any occasion whatever they will be sold, if alive, and you will not be allowed to keep any other animals at all."

A Responsibility. And she is convinced that to shoulder a responsibility like that is good for the child. Too many parents find, after a few weeks, that they are expected to look after the now-neglected animals. To do so is very unwise.

Even the tragic death of a pet has its practical side; it brings home to the child as nothing else could do a sense of his responsibilities.

Useful Side. Practically every hobby has its useful side. Stamp-collecting gives a wide knowledge of countries and people, if daddy takes an interest in the collection, too. A magazine club can mould the character of an already "literary" child. A passion to take things to pieces, and to put them together again is indeed a curse on any family, but the worst offender ever known in that line is now a brilliant young engineer with a four-figure salary.

Photography can become a hobby that pays. One of the best-known press photographers has taken photographs practically all his life. He was camera-mad at school.

You can read the mind of the child through his hobbies. You can learn to understand his nature, his feelings, his pleasures. And, putting yourself in his place,

wouldn't you feel a little upset if some strong-minded parent put a ban on a most delightful hobby? Don't forget, too, that if you suppress a child in one direction, he will promptly break out in another—and a much worse one, probably!

Keeps Him at Home. A hobby keeps a growing boy at home, very often. He doesn't go out so much to other boys' houses. His pals come to see him instead. And do try, if you can, to give him just one spot in the house that is really his—one place where he can keep his litter of books and odds and ends—one place where he can take his friends if he wants to.

Don't let him think that every man's hand is against him. Rule him wisely, with the velvet glove well pulled on. And take an interest in his hobbies. You must, if you really want to know your boy.

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"

Social Functions. To-day—Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel—Dinner Dances, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments. To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Excess Baggage."

To-day—World Theatre; "Resurrection."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Steamboat Bill Jr."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Ramona."

Lammert's Auctions. July 20—At 241, Nathan-rd. (Top Floor) Kowloon, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

July 22—At 10, Carnarvon Bldg., Kowloon, household furniture, 11 a.m.

Home Mails. To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia ("Lahn"); from Europe via Suez ("Malwa").

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia ("Pres. Jefferson"); Outward for Europe via Siberia ("Malwa"), 10.30 a.m.

## IN OTHER PLACES

## CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Capt. Lloyd was the guest of honour at a farewell tea party at Malacca. Capt. Lloyd is going on transfer to Perak.

Mr. R. Milner-Moore, formerly of the Bukit Mertajam Rubber Co., who went Home recently, returned by the "Khiva" and has joined Rubana Estate.

The Government of the Straits Settlements has decided to acquire a piece of land for a civil aerodrome in Singapore. The Commissioner of Lands will move a special provision of \$50,000 for that purpose at the Legislative Council.

The French Concession Tenants Association have addressed a circular to their members suggesting that they should pay their rents in accordance with the Gregorian calendar instead of the lunar calendar, as they have done in the past.

The wedding took place at the Church of the Assumption, Penang, of Mr. J. C. S. Ponsford of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ipoh, a well-known "Rugger" player, and Miss Helen Gatti, sister of Mrs. D. P. Stokes, of Prai. The bride was given away by the Hon. Mr. W. S. Gibson, Legal Adviser, F.M.S. Mr. V. P. Walshe was best man and Father A. Devais officiated.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Douglas Alexander Wright, of Darty Group, Gampola, Ceylon, son of the late Mr. E. F. Wright, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, Jamaica, and Miss Molly Olwen Shelton-Agar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Shelton-Agar, late of Mount Temple Estate, Gampola.

Mr. H. Armstrong, Wardleburn estate, Kuala Lumpur, has left Penang to join the Koshima Maru en route for England on short leave. He hopes to return towards the end of October. Mr. E. H. Beauchamp Nobbs is acting as manager of the Wardleburn group of estates during Mr. Armstrong's absence.

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## WATER SUPPLY

### A CORRECTION: KOWLOON'S FIGURES

#### "EMERGENCY" DETAILS

The following paragraph appeared as part of an article in yesterday's "China Mail":—

"With 12 hours' restriction, Kowloon consumes about 20 million gallons of water a week (not counting the quantity transported to Hong Kong). But there is not that much difference between a 12 hours' supply and a 24 hours per day supply to double the consumption. It is estimated that the quantity used per day as from this evening, in Kowloon, will be just about 30 million gallons a day."

Owing to a slip of the pen, the very last word day should, obviously, have been week.

#### The Tank Supply

The amount of water brought into Hong Kong by ships in transit during the week ended July 14 was 13,484 tons (equivalent to 3.02 million gallons), all of which was placed in brick and steel tanks along the Praya wall.

The tanks on Connaught-road Central from Cleverly-street to the iron tank at Douglas Wharf have all been coupled from the wharf with a pumping main to enable the tanker "Fu Kwang" to pump whilst lying alongside into each or all of these tanks.

A pumping unit has been installed on the Praya East to enable all tanks in the vicinity of No. 12 to be filled direct.

The tug "Perla," under charter, has been installed with a pump which will greatly increase the means of emptying lighters when she is not being used as a tow-boat.

All tanks from No. 1 at Davis-street to the Western Market iron tanks were handed over from the control of the Emergency Control Office to the Waterworks Office on July 15, but the Control Office retains charge of all remaining tanks from Cleverly-street to Douglas Wharf and also those on the Praya East.

#### Other Sources

A visit was paid to the Tai Shui Hang police launch supply where work was completed on July 15, although the supply has been in use since July 10.

Excellent progress has been made with Sham Ching ("Rattonjee") supply and an early completion here is expected. A preliminary survey was made on July 14 with regard to increasing this available source and it is hoped that a report will be ready shortly.

The Douglas Steamship Co., with their three steamers bringing water from Foochow, and the River steamers "Paul Beau" and "Charles Hardouin," which moor each evening at the Po Tak wharf, are still bringing supplies which are delivered direct to the tanks without charge to the Colony. No more water is being brought from Japan and Shanghai etc., at least for the time being.

Two supply stations, namely, those in Wellington-street and at Victoria nullah near Arsenal-street, have been handed over to the Sanitary Department for control, and are now in operation. Chlorination is being effected by a special staff. The third installation, in Tai Hang village, will be handed over almost immediately. Meanwhile the construction of the chlorinating tanks for other nullah supplies proceeds apace.

#### Happy Valley and Kowloon

Levels were taken in connection with the Happy Valley scheme, and the positions of the tanks were marked on the slope of Morrison Hill. The advent of the rain led to a postponement of actual construction work, but it has now been decided that operations are to proceed without further delay.

As the water problem in Kowloon is now less acute, the head of the Sanitary Department is considering the use of certain emergency drinking supplies for house cleaning and similar purposes. Water cart stand pipes may be erected within the next few days in connection with the Homutun well supply, and also in connection with the well at the South China Knitting Factory.

## A BARBET?

### WILL IT MAKE ITS HOME HERE

About the end of June after a heavy shower of rain three young birds were washed out of a nest in the Botanical Gardens. When the gardener went to pick them up he was vigorously attacked by the parent bird. The superintendent of the Gardens put them in the aviary.

The young birds have large, powerful orange-yellow beaks; and judging from the way they can use them the parent birds might be able to give a good bite.

The feet of these birds have the arrangement common to the parrots, cuckoos, woodpeckers, and barbets—two toes placed before and two behind. In the present case it seems to be the first and fourth toe directed backwards, and the second and third forwards.

At first I thought the parent bird must be a woodpecker, but the feet of these young birds seem hardly strong enough for a woodpecker's; and, on examination, the tongue seemed too short for any of the woodpeckers.

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## MONEY AND SHARES

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Vienna 34.46

Prague 163 3/4

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Madrid 33.42

Lisbon 108 1/4

Athens 375

Bucharest 318

Rio 5 1/2

Buenos Aires 47 1/4

Bombay 1/5 25/32

Shanghai 2/4 3/4

Hong Kong 1/11 3/4

Yokohama 1/10 58/64

Silver Spot 24 1/2

Silver Forward 24 1/2

—British Wireless Service.

The bird is possibly the great Himalayan Barbet (*Megascops virens*).

This bird is not mentioned in Kershaw's list of the birds of Kwong Tung but is given by Pere David in *Les Oiseaux de la Chine* as extending to parts of China. It will be of interest to bird lovers if this bird has come to make its home in Hong Kong.

Green is the prevailing colour of the young birds, the primary feathers of the wings and tail being of a beautiful rich shade. There is a scarlet patch under the tail.

The arrangement of the toes makes the birds walk rather awkwardly on the ground.—A.H.C. in the Yellow Dragon.

## TRAM FATALITY

### INQUEST ON A CHINESE GIRL

#### COMPANY EXONERATED

The fatal accident which occurred at Quarry Bay on June 28, when a Chinese girl met with a shocking death, having her head crushed between two tram cars, had its sequel at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon when Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., and a coroner's jury held an inquiry into the circumstances.

The girl, who was 24 years of age, was riding with a friend on the top deck of a tram car (No. 39), going from Causeway Bay to Shaukiwan. Being under the impression that her friend was in the third class compartment, the girl leaned over the side of the tram, when near Quarry Bay and shouted for her.

Just then a tram car (No. 78) passed on the other track going towards Causeway Bay. The girl's head was struck violently by the superstructure of the passing tram. The force of the impact caused her to fall back on her seat, and when assistance came to her she was already dead.

The body was taken to the public mortuary where Dr. A. Cannon held a post mortem examination, and found that death was due to a fractured skull.

After several witnesses had been heard, including the motor man and conductor of tram No. 78, who said that they did not notice the girl leaning out of tram No. 39, the jury returned a verdict of "death by misadventure," and exonerated the Tramway Co. from all blame. A rider was added that it was desirable that notices in Chinese should also be posted on trams giving warning of the danger of leaning over the side of trams.

### T.T. on London 1/11 3/4

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### Banks

H.K. Bank \$1250 b 1265 sa

H.K. London Reg. \$120 n

Chartered Bank \$19 1/2 b

Mercantile A. & B. \$32 1/2 n

Mercantile C. \$15 1/2 n

P. & O. Bank \$9 1/2 n

Bank of East Asia \$90 1/2 n

### Insurances

Canton Insurance \$630 n

Union Insurance \$324 sa

North China Insurance \$160 b

Yangtze Insurance \$550 n

China Underwriters \$2.10 s

China Fire Insurance \$305 b

H.K. Fire Insurance \$770 n

### Shipping

Douglases \$27 1/2 n

H.K. Steamboats \$24 1/2 b 25 s

[24 1/2 sa

### H.K. Tugs & Lighters

Indo-Chinas (Pref.) \$47 1/2 b

Indo-Chinas (Def.) \$70 n

Shell Transports (old) \$7 1/2 n

Shell Transports (new) \$22 n

### Mining

Benguets \$8.05 b

Kailan Mining Ad. \$6 3/4 n

Langkats (comb.) \$15 b

Langkats (single) \$19 b

Shanghai Explorations \$2 3/4 s

Shanghai Loans \$14 1/2 b

Raubas \$8 1/2 b

Tronoh Mines \$21 1/2 b

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. & K. Wharves \$125 b

H.K. & W. Docks \$35 s

China Providents \$4.30 b

[4.35/4.20 sa

### Hongkows

New Engineerings \$168 b

Shanghai Docks \$188 b

### Cotton Mills

Ewo Cottons \$14.30 b & sa

Oriental Cottons \$72.30 b

Shanghai Cottons (old) \$77 1/2 b

Shanghai Cottons (new) \$43 1/2 b

### Lands, Hotels & Buildings

H.K. & S. Hotels \$8.55 b

H.K. Lands \$60 1/4 b

Shanghai Lands \$114 1/2 b

Humphreys' Estates \$13.30 b

H.K. Realities \$8 b

H.K. Territorials \$—

Prince's Buildings \$—

### Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways \$19 n

Peak Trams (old) \$11.30 n

Peak Trams (new) \$6.05 n

Star Ferries \$64 1/4 n

China Lights (comb.) \$—

China Lights (old) \$13 1/2 s

China Lights (new) \$13.20 s

China Lights 1928 issue \$—

H.K. Electrics (old) \$55 1/4 b

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### H.K. Electrics (new)

Macao Electrics \$26 3/4 n

H.K. Telephones \$7 n

China Buses \$114 1/2 b

Singapore Tractions \$11 1/2 s

Singapore Pref. \$20 1/2 b

Sandakan Lts. \$22 1/2 s

### Industrials

China Sugars \$90 cts.

Malabon Sugars \$27 n

Canton Tees \$2.10 b

Cements (comb.) \$9 b 9.20 s

Cements (old) \$7.70 n

Cements (new) \$14.00 n

H.K. Ropes (old) \$7 s

H.K. Ropes (new) \$—

United Asbestos \$5 b

### Stores, &c.

Dairy Farms \$19 1/2 b

Watsons \$11.90 b

Dor A. Wings \$80 cts. b

Lane Crawfords \$13 n

Macintoshes \$12 b

Sinacres \$12 b

Wm. Powells \$24 s

### Miscellaneous

H.K. Amusements \$23 1/2 n

## Sport Columns

### RACEHORSE OWNER \$15,000 WON IN STAKES BY GIN SLING

#### BANKRUPT'S STORY

The public examination of John Eleazar Johannes was resumed in the Bankruptcy Court Singapore, on July 5 before Mr. Justice Deane. In answer to the Assistant Official Assignee (Mr. T. B. Cocker), examinee said that in partnership with others he had owned the local race-horses Gin Sling, Horace L., Speed Arrow, Master Warkon and Philippa. The other partners were his brother (Mr. B. E. Johannes) and Mr. F. C. d'Almeida. The racing partnership originated with d'Almeida's sole ownership of Warkon, for which he paid \$100, towards the end of 1921. Examinee did not pay cash for his share in the partnership. When it was decided to give up racing, examinee's share of the losses was \$3,000.

Mr. Cocker: You might be described as a "loss partner."

Examinee said his wife paid his share of the losses. Gin Sling was drawn at the Singapore Turf Club by B. E. Johannes in 1922, and he paid \$100 for it. Gin Sling was the best horse of the lot. He brought in \$15,000 in stakes. Speed Arrow, a pony, was drawn the same time as Gin Sling, and \$75 was paid for him. He brought in \$6,000 or \$7,000. Horace L. was bought in Java by Mr. F. C. d'Almeida for about \$2,500 or \$3,000. He brought in \$5,000. Philippa was bought at the same time as Horace L. for about the same price. She died.

Mr. Cocker: So you appear to have won about \$26,000. Against that you have the cost of the horses, \$14,500. What was the upkeep?

Examinee: About \$100 a month each. Master Warkon was the one that caused all the trouble. We had him for two years. Gin Sling and Speed Arrow we had for a year.

Examinee, proceeding, said they had on an average three of the horses running at each meeting. The upkeep of all the horses was \$400 a month. The \$100 a month for each horse included the payment to the trainer, who—together with the jockey, got a present of about \$100 each when a horse won.

Mr. Cocker: And I suppose you betted as well? When did you begin?

Examinee said his largest bet was the purchase of 40 tickets, 20 for a win and 20 for a place.

Mr. Cocker: Do not conceal these things. They are bound to come out. Did you not make private bets?

Examinee said he did not.

Mr. Cocker: Do you swear to that?—Yes, I do.

Examinee added that his brother, B. E. Johannes bet to about the same extent. As far as examinee knew F. C. d'Almeida also did not indulge in private bets.

In reply to Mr. Cocker witness said all the gambling he had indulged in was bridge at a quarter of a cent a point.

#### "No Roulette in Singapore"

Mr. Cocker: Do you swear you have not gambled at roulette?

Examinee replied that there was no roulette in Singapore. He did play poker but he did not gamble on the results of football matches.

Mr. Cocker: Now, do not try to hide these things. What did you go to the football matches for?

Examinee replied that hundreds of people went to football matches without betting on them. He had been a player at school.

Asked whether it was true that he gambled on the results of boxing matches, examinee said he had not attended any in Singapore.

Mr. Cocker: To gamble on them, it is not necessary that you should attend them.

Witness denied that he had gambled on them, or that he had played Chinese card games of chance for stakes. He added

that he was not acquainted with Chinese card games.

Mr. A. M. Sarkies saved examinee and examinee's brother from being made bankrupt by the bank on which F. C. d'Almeida and Co. and A. M. Sarkies and Co. (Amalgamated) had an overdraft. For the amount of examinee's share of the overdraft, guaranteed by Mr. A. M. Sarkies, examinee gave him a promissory note. So did examinee's brother.

Sarkies and Co., Ltd., had to close down when F. C. d'Almeida closed.

Mr. Cocker: Why was it started at all? Both companies had the same membership.

Examinee: After the amalgamation the two companies had the same membership.

#### A Partnership Masquerade

Mr. Cocker: After the amalgamation, why was it necessary to keep on A. M. Sarkies and Co.?—F. C. d'Almeida had a contract to supply gums with a New York firm, which insisted on a monopoly.

Mr. Cocker: So to overcome that difficulty all the members masqueraded as A. M. Sarkies and Co. and dealt with all the other New York firms?—That is so.

The two banking accounts, examinee, proceeded, were kept separate, but they were at the same bank.

#### Bought G. H. Sweet Shop

Proceeding, examinee said in 1926 his brother and he had nothing to do and were heavily in debt to Mr. A. M. Sarkies. They then approached Mr. A. M. Sarkies and asked him to guarantee a promissory note for the amount for which the lady who then owned the G. H. Sweet Shop was willing to sell it. It was Mr. A. M. Sarkies who suggested that examinee and his brother should try to get the place. It was from two chetties that the money was to be obtained. The idea was to get \$6,000 from each chetty, and sign a note for \$3,000 in each case, the extra \$2,000 being interest.

The chetties were willing to lend, but stipulated for more signatories than examinee and his brother. Finally, there were eight signatories; they were examinee, examinee's brother, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sarkies, examinee's wife, and examinee's brother's wife. The G. H. Sweet Shop thus went into examinee's and examinee's brother's possession. Two or three months after the purchase it was found necessary to ask Mr. A. M. Sarkies to guarantee an overdraft with the P. and O. Bank. The overdraft was required to buy cutlery, tables, etc. The overdraft at first was \$5,000. Later it was increased to \$10,000. For 11 months examinee and his

brother ran the business at a profit of \$1,200.

His Lordship: After paying off the \$8,000?

Examinee said that was so. The previous owner, had been defrauded to the extent of \$7,000 by dishonest employees. That was why she sold.

Mr. Cocker: And after 11 months you turned it into a limited liability company. What moved you to do that?

Examinee replied that he and his brother had personal debts. Examinee owed \$50,000, including his note to Mr. A. M. Sarkies. Examinee's brother's debts must have amounted to about \$90,000 including his brother's note to Mr. A. M. Sarkies.

Mr. Cocker: Mr. Sarkies' idea was that in the event of your going bankrupt, there would remain the company?—That may be so.

The examination was further adjourned.—Straits Times.

### LIFE SAVING

#### EXAMINATION OF POLICE CANDIDATES

##### STANDARD GOOD

An examination for the Proficiency Certificates and Bronze Medallions of the R.L.S.S. was held yesterday. The party proceeded by launch to Lyemmun where they were joined by the instructors, L/Bdr. W. Adams and Gar. T. Hallstone, of the R.A. There were thirteen candidates presented, the partner for the odd man being C. S. Hunt, who has rendered valuable assistance with these classes, and is now instructing a class himself.

Eleven candidates obtained both the awards, fulfilling all the necessary tests to the Examiner's satisfaction:—

P/S. R. W. Ritchie, L/S J. A. R. May, S/L. A. E. Carey, L/S L. J. Wagland, L/S. F. E. Howarth, L/S. A. E. Banks, L/S. C. W. Brand, L/S. T. A. Hughes and Cpls. Ali Mohammed B321, Fatche Haider Shah B290 and Hasham Khan, B50.

The weather conditions were ideal for the tests and the general standard of the candidates was good.

### THE "ABATO"

#### ONLY TWO SURVIVORS PICKED UP

Valparaiso, Yesterday. Only two survivors have been picked up, of a crew of forty which went down on the Chilean transport, "Abato," which sank during a severe storm off Valparaiso. The vessel foundered before vessels speeding in response to the S.O.S. signals were able to assist.—Reuter's American Service.

### CHILE TO-DAY

#### COMING NATION OF SOUTH AMERICA

##### GREAT AMBITIONS

Most people who have never visited South America consider life in that Continent to be very precarious. People in the Old Country picture to themselves deeds of violence, knifings, shooting affairs, and imagine that South America is a warm spot generally. Those ideas may have been all right twenty or thirty years ago, but they are very much out of date to-day. South America is half of the New World, and as such can teach chaotic Europe many things so far as law and order are concerned.

It is unnecessary to write very much concerning the geographic conditions of Chile. It is sufficient to remind our readers that the Republic is a long narrow strip 2,500 miles in length, and at its broadest part it is but 200 miles. The nature of the climatic conditions varies from the tropical desert "Pampa" of the north, to the very wet southern region. Almost every kind of productive activity is pursued within those two thousand five hundred odd miles of coastline, from the nitrate "Ofinas" and mines of the north, to the richly fertile agricultural and pastoral land of Southern Chile.

One of the first things that General Carlos Ibanez did when he became President of the Republic in May, 1927, was to identify his opponents as "Enemies of the Country." That, of course, is an old dodge, but as a political weapon it is most effective. Many of our readers will remember that during the War many of the members of the present Labour Cabinet were also identified as "Enemies of the Country," and their opposition became very easily quashed. In the case of Chile the smothering of all opposition in 1927 was also pardonable because it was likewise a national necessity.

The Ibanez Administration was given Chile more than two years of well ordered government, and it has started the Republic well on the way to become a great industrial State. Chile has great ambitions in that direction, and she has certainly set about industrialising herself in a very business-like fashion. By placing heavy duties on all imported goods, the national industries have been fostered; so much so, that foreign producing concerns have realised that their prices are all wrong, and have therefore gone to Chile and have set up their own factories inside the country.

The future for Chile is very promising. She has untold mineral wealth in the Andes in the North—her manufacturing concerns are working efficiently and the rich vineyards and pasture lands of the South have great possibilities. Finally, it must be remembered that the Chileans themselves are a highly cultured and industrious people, and therefore it is quite certain that Chile is the coming country of the Continent where there will be great economic developments in the near future.—Contributed.

The thankoffering fund in London for hospitals, including the £105,000 gift of "Audax," amounted to £359,768.

### ROUND THE CINEMAS

#### A NEW ROLE FOR WILLIAM HAINES

##### "EXCESS BAGGAGE"

William Haines, who has hitherto been associated only with the broadest farce, has an entirely different role in "Excess Baggage," a remarkable story of stage life, which will be screened from to-day to Saturday at the Queen's Theatre.

The story concerns the adventures of a theatrical married couple who fail to reach stardom together, but win success individually. They become estranged, although they still love each other, and the dramatic manner in which their problem is solved before the audience in one of the biggest theatres in New York is one of the most unusual climaxes ever screened, according to advance reports.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has spared no expense to make this film one of its big successes. James Cruze, the director of the "Covered Wagon," is largely responsible for the success of the picture. The story was adapted from the well-known stage success by John McGowan.

The supporting cast was chosen with care, and includes Ricardo Cortez, Kathleen Clifford, Greta Granstedt, Neely Edwards, and Cyril Chadwick.

### FRENCH CHAMBER

#### GOVERNMENT HAVE A SECOND SUCCESS

##### M. POINCARÉ INDISPOSED

Paris, Yesterday. The Government had a second success when the Chamber by 350 votes to 238 rejected the motion of M. Leon Blum for adjournment of the ratification question.

It is reported that M. Poincaré is suffering from a slight temperature due to overwork, as a result of his 14-hour speech, and yesterday's 12-hour debate in the Chamber in the tropical heat.

His doctor has ordered him to rest, but he expects to return to the Chamber to-morrow.—Reuter.

### THE "BREMEN"

#### 46,000 TON LINER LEAVES FOR NEW YORK

##### MAIDEN TRIP

Bremerhaven, Yesterday. The new Norddeutscher Lloyd 46,000 ton liner "Bremen" started to-day on her maiden trip to New York.

Advertisements proclaim she will do the trip in five days, though the management state there is no intention of trying to beat the "Mauretania's" record.

The "Bremen" carries 1,800 passengers and 900 crew.—Reuter.

### EXPLORATION

#### SUCCESSFUL DUTCH EFFORTS IN TIBET

Bombay, Yesterday. The Dutch explorer, Herr P. G. Visser, has returned to Leh, Kashmir, having successfully carried out the first part of an expedition to the Karakoram Mountains, in Tibet.

Herr Visser explored and mapped the hitherto unknown Upper Bubra, the principal range of the Karakoram. He discovered many glaciers, one of which was over 80 kilometres in extent.—Reuter.

### THE "PATHFINDER"

Le Bourget, Yesterday. The aeroplane "Pathfinder," (which recently crossed the Atlantic from U.S.A.) has arrived at Paris.—Reuter.

### OLD TAYLOR

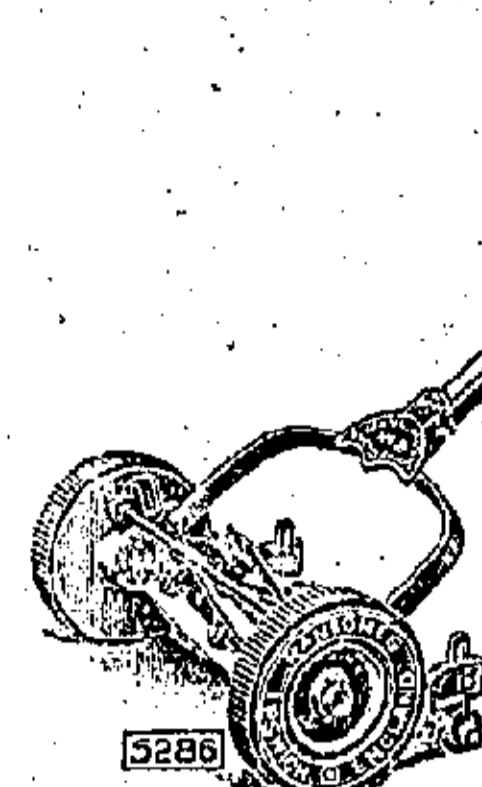
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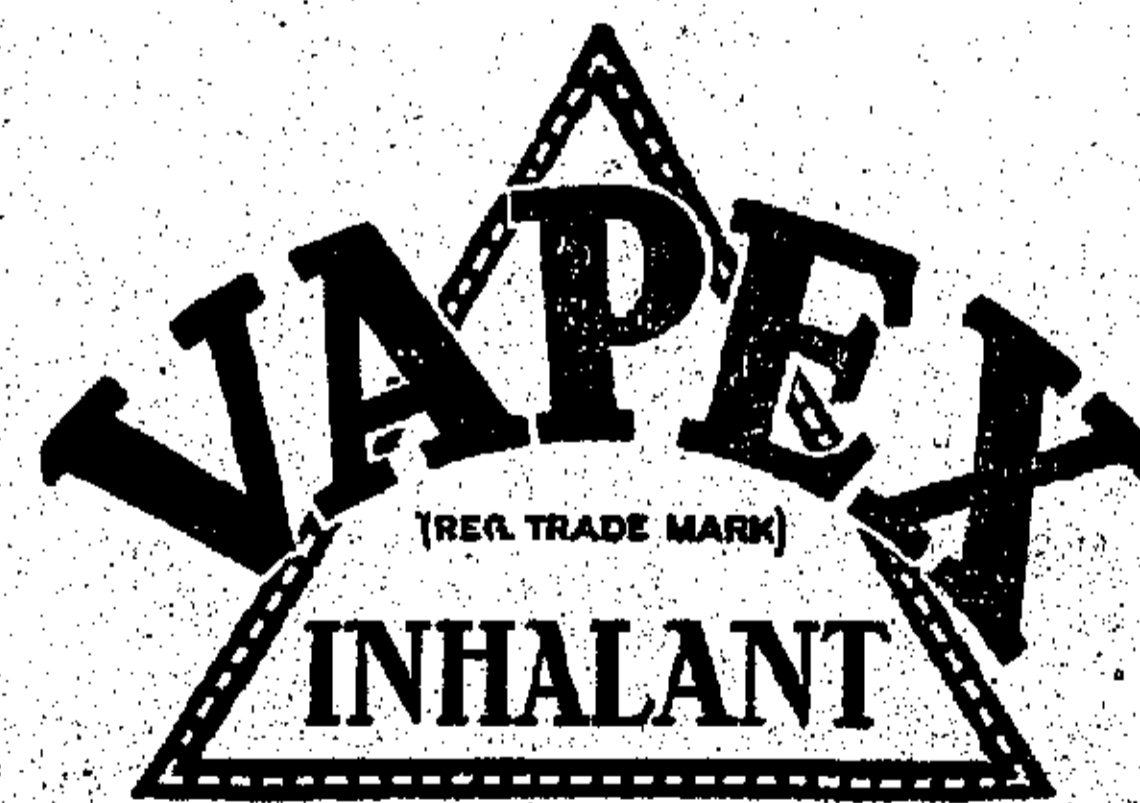
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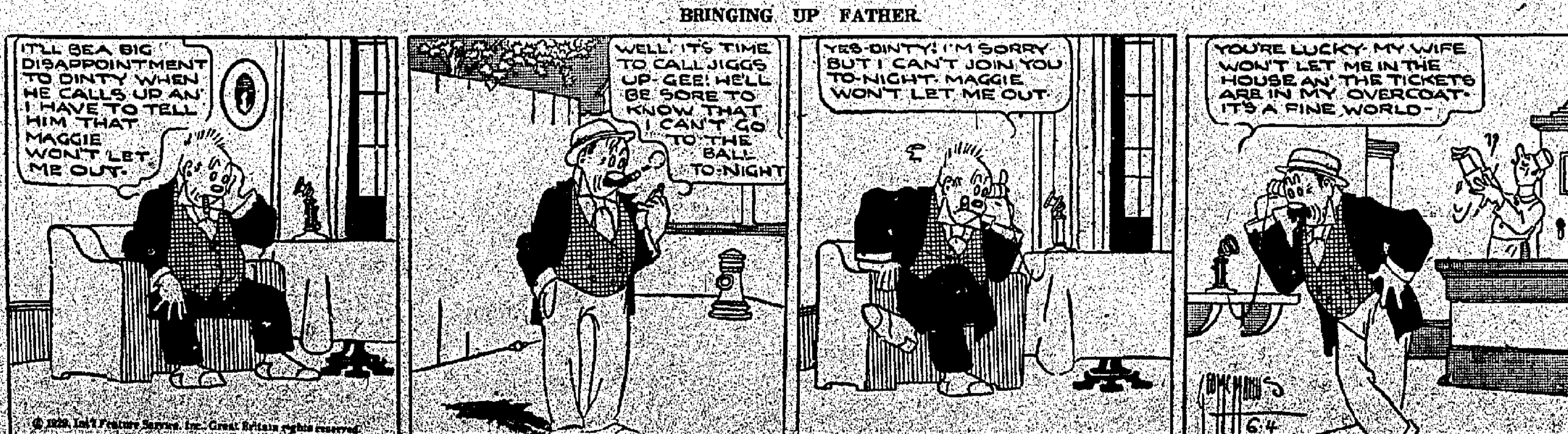
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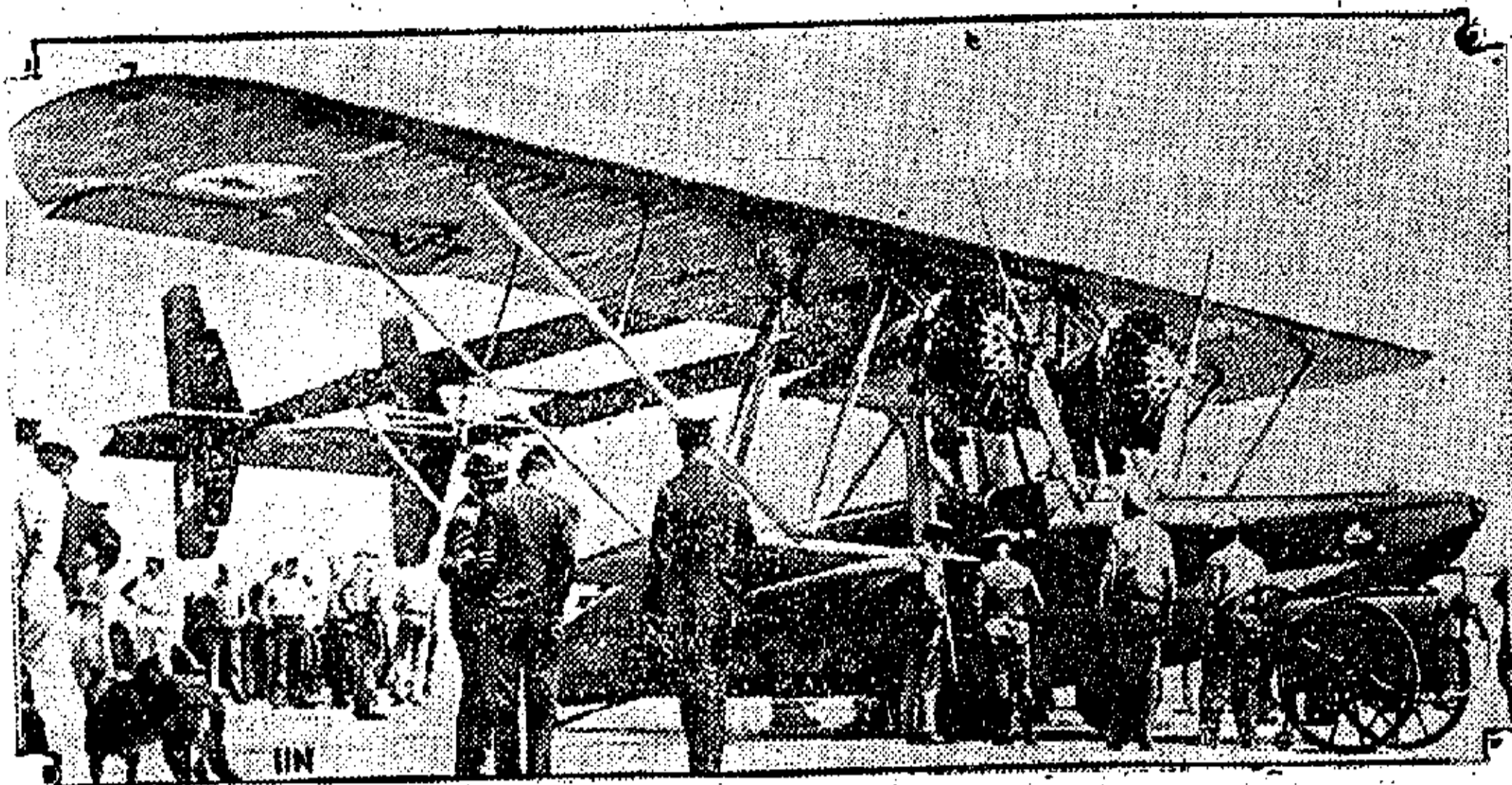
Thomas A. Edison, world famous inventor, steps from the train hale and hearty after a long vacation at Fort Meyers, Fla. Most of his time was spent in experiments on rubber plants. He is going to be busy now selecting a young American from competitive examinations for the privilege of working as his protegee.

## Five-Letter Hubby



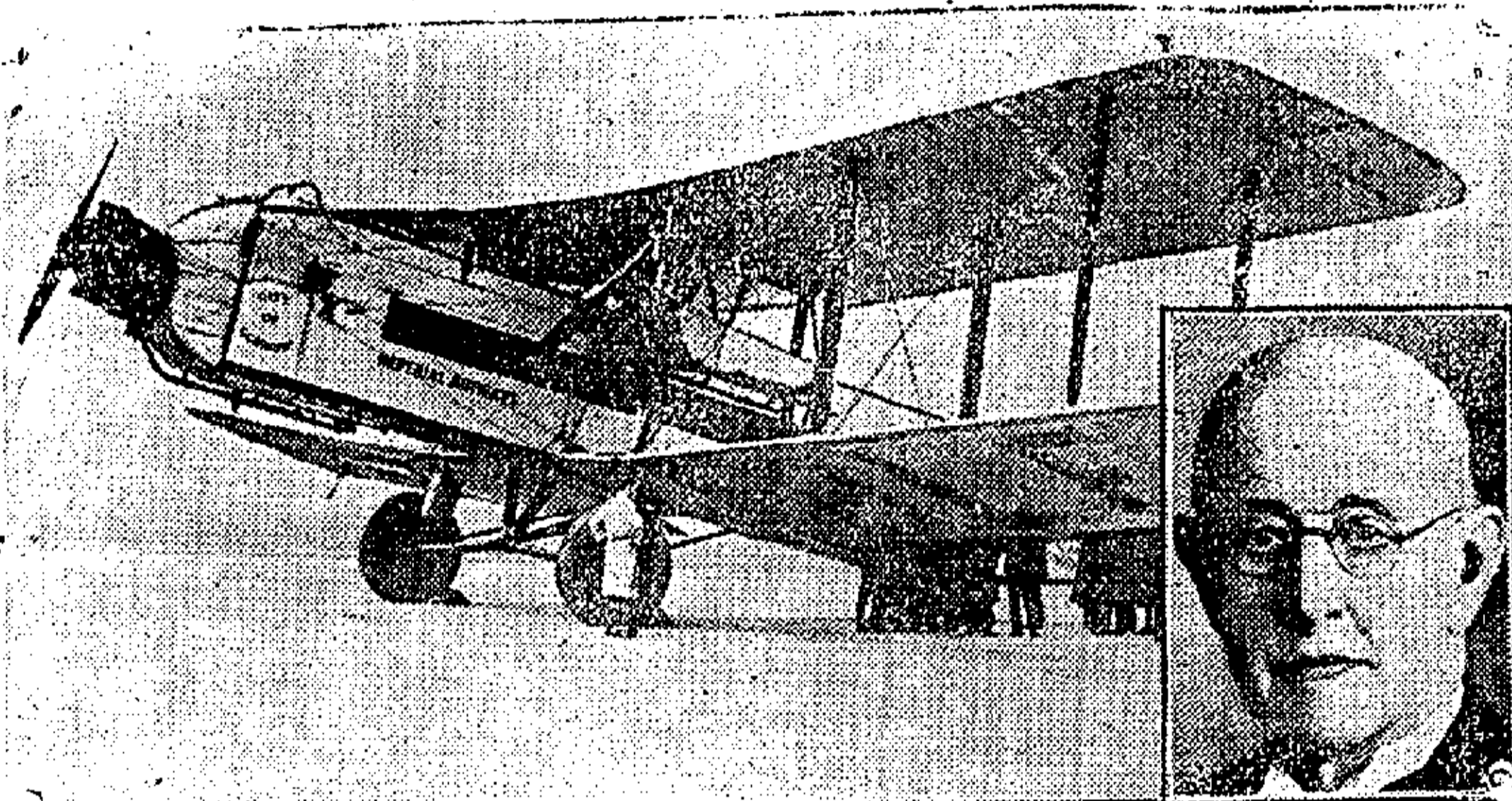
William H. Gardner, at present a stock broker, but formerly a five-letter athletic star at Rutgers College, sure is a lucky fellow. Just look at Miss Doris Vinton, above, former Pollux girl, who has promised to be his bride. Athletics and athletes are just her hobby.

## Plane Comes to Grief



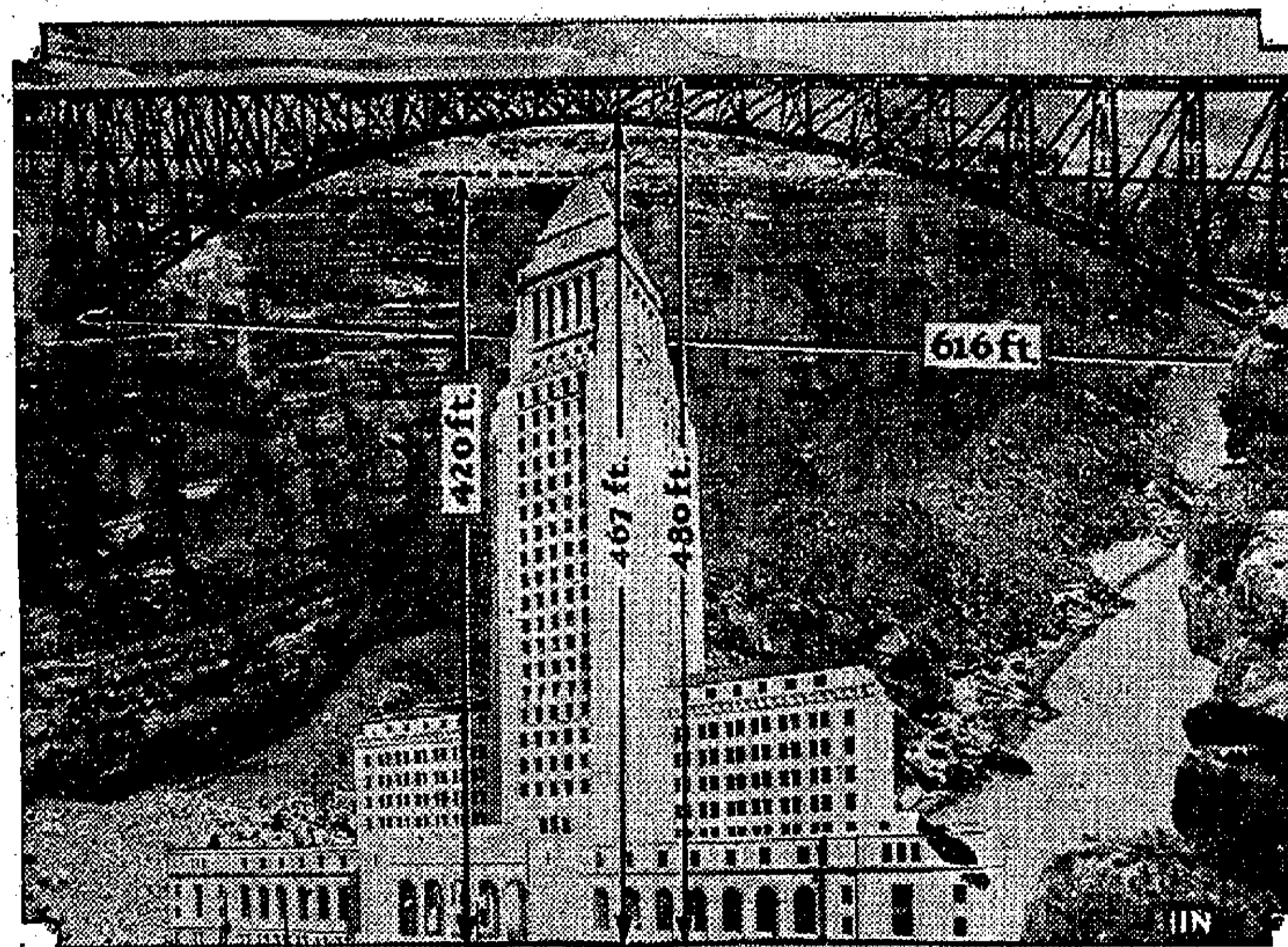
The new Sikorsky amphibian 'plane "Washington" was all set to blaze a passenger-mail 'plane route from New York to Buenos Aires, but at its first stop the ship found difficulty in arising on the muddy field at Santiago as it took off for Havana, and it crashed telephone wires before gaining sufficient altitude. The 'plane was completely destroyed by flames, but two passengers and two fliers survived.

## Channel Air Crash



Forced down en route from Croydon Field, to Le Bourget Field, Paris, the air liner, "City of Ottawa," crashed into the English Channel with the loss of seven lives, among whom was Adolph Meister, inset, of Garfield, N.J. The 'plane, sister ship of the "City of Glasgow," shown above, signalled to channel craft for help, which reached the 'plane soon as it hit the water, but not soon enough to save all.

## Giant Bridge Spans Canyon



Many an Indian brave and squaw rubbed their eyes in wonderment to see the giant Colorado Canyon spanned by a bridge at Lees Ferry, Colo. Their forefathers had fought against the stream many times trying to cross in the treacherous eddies. Now they ride quietly over the top on this latest engineering triumph. This composite picture shows how the Lees Ferry bridge compares with the Los Angeles City Hall.

## \$500,000,000 Farm Bill



In an effort to solve the surplus crop situation through a series of stabilisation corporations, Senator Chas. McNary of Oregon and Representative Gilbert N. Haugen of Iowa have fought for years for the passage of a farm relief measure and have at last succeeded in getting Hoover's signature to the Bill which embodies authorisation for an appropriation of \$500,000,000. Left to right, front row: Sen. McNary; Vice-President Chas. Curtis; President Hoover; Rep. Nicholas Longworth and Rep. Gilbert N. Haugen.

## Husband Condemned



Wrecked with grief, Mrs. Henry Colin Campbell heard Judge Case at Elizabeth, N.J., sentence her husband to the electric chair for the murder of Mrs. Mildred Mowry. Mrs. Campbell is shown above with a friend being led from the jail at Trenton after being refused permission to see her husband.

## Please Hurry!



Mrs. Dorothy Parker Assolant could hardly wait while her passport was made out which let her go to meet her hero husband in Paris. Married to Jean Assolant less than a week before he hopped to Paris with his companions in the "Yellow Bird," she chafed at the slight delays which held her in America.

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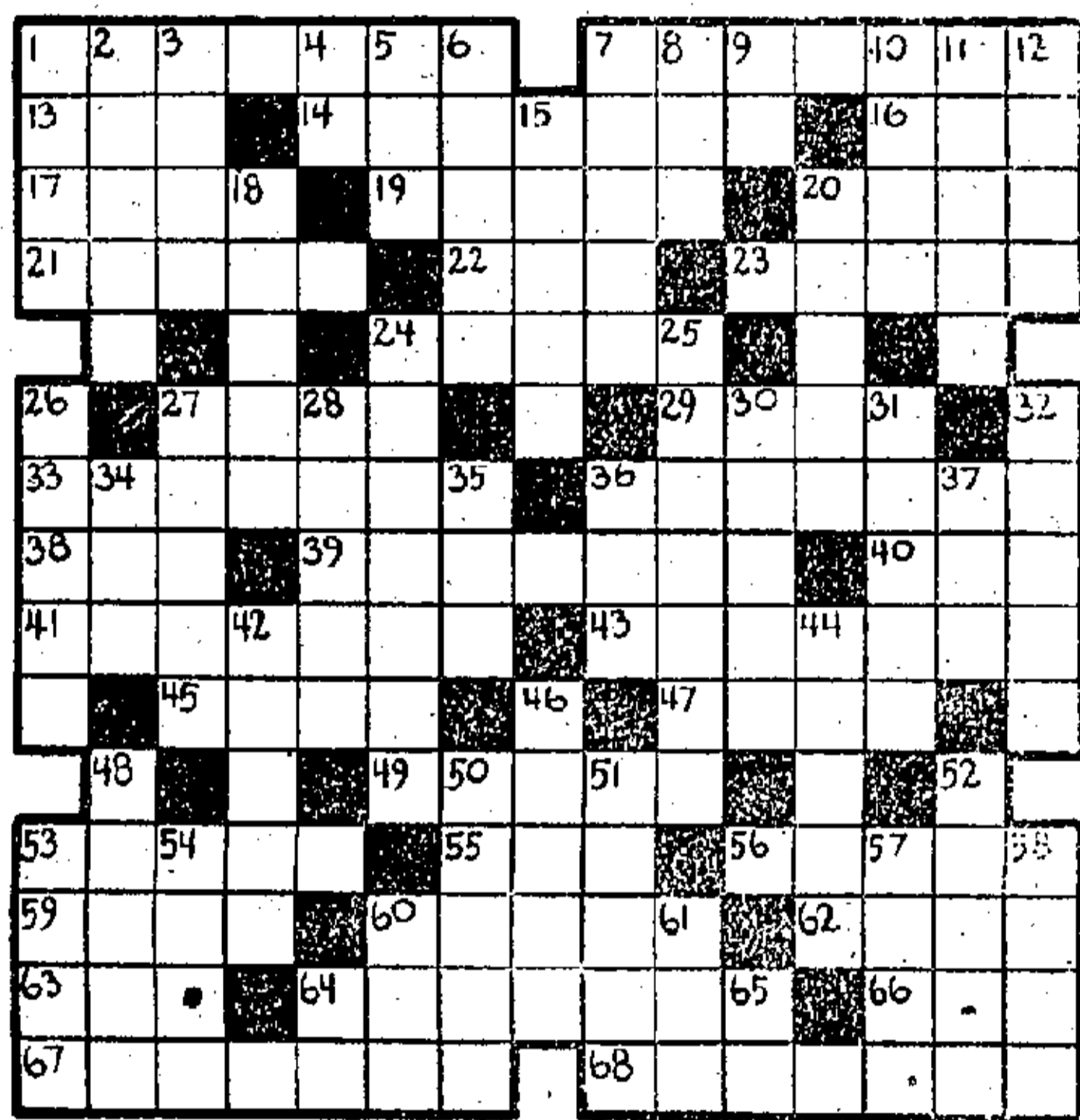
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, place, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-Ashore
  - 7-Chaufers
  - 13-Perceive
  - 14-Gatherings
  - 16-Regret
  - 17-Was aware of
  - 18-Studied
  - 20-Constructed
  - 21-Closed conveyance
  - 22-Moist
  - 23-Having better judgment
  - 24-Grind together
  - 27-Ring
  - 28-Retired
  - 30-Infatuated
  - 32-Empress of Russia
  - 38-Consume
  - 39-Tropical bird (pl.)
  - 40-Firearm
  - 41-Excellent chemistry
  - 43-Careful eating
  - 45-Timid animal
  - 47-Once (post.)
  - 48-Inheritance
  - 52-Tricks
  - 55-Faster
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 56-Fortified
  - 59-Thick
  - 62-Protected
  - 63-Employ
  - 64-Partially to tongue
  - 66-Decade
  - 67-Muscles
  - 68-Rubbers
- VERTICAL**
- 1-Requests
  - 2-Small Spanish horse
  - 3-Kind of grass
  - 4-Toward the top
  - 5-Short sleep
  - 6-Die in water
  - 7-Eats sparingly
  - 8-A color
  - 9-Exists
  - 10-Periods of time
  - 11-More impolite
  - 12-Prophecy
  - 15-Pay for another's enjoyment
  - 18-A liquid
  - 20-Skinfint
  - 24-Glowed
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 25-Quicker
  - 26-Sea
  - 27-To intend
  - 28-A color
  - 30-Lower
  - 31-Finger
  - 32-Suspends
  - 34-More nickname
  - 35-Parched
  - 36-Spread to dry
  - 37-Holy woman
  - 42-Detects
  - 44-Former Russian ruler (pl.)
  - 46-Sway back and forth
  - 48-Money bag
  - 49-Unleashes
  - 50-Follow
  - 52-Put off
  - 53-Put to flight
  - 54-Perceived
  - 57-Marry
  - 58-Late
  - 60-Clamor
  - 61-Organ of the head
  - 64-Behold
  - 65-Musical note

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## TO-DAY'S RADIO

BROADCAST BY  
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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcast Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

5.30-5.30 p.m. — Programme of Dance Music, (Brunswick records supplied through the courtesy of the Sincere Co., Ltd.).

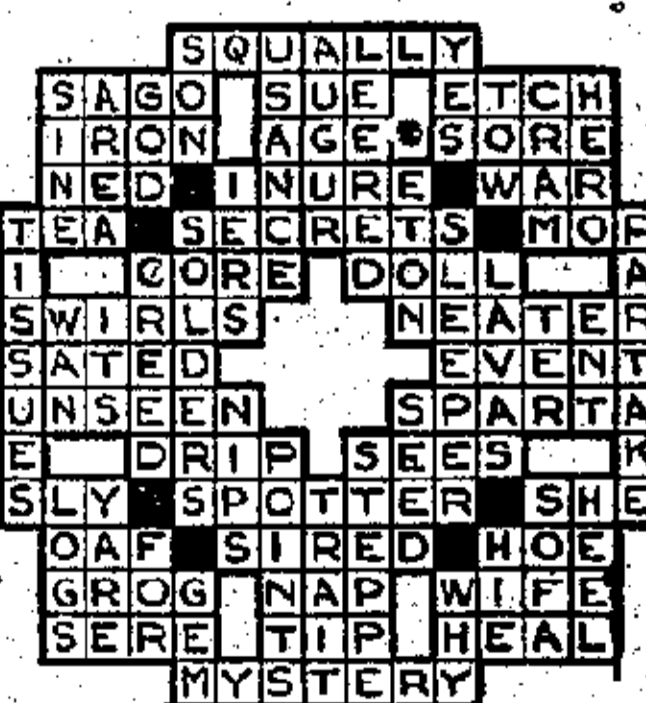
7.48 p.m. — Evening weather report.

8 p.m. — Evening programme of Chinese Music relayed from the Sincere Co., Ltd. Programme consists of music given by well-known girl singers and the staff of Sincere Co., Radio Department.

10.30 p.m. — Close Down.

At the wedding of Mr. H. J. Harris to Miss Harries Wright Smithson, at Penang, while Miss Gwendoline Jones was bridesmaid, Miss C. Reid was matron of honour and Mr. E. A. Stames bestman. Dr. J. W. Adams, acting C.M.O., Penang, gave the bride away and the Rev. Keppel Garner officiated. A reception was held at the sisters' quarters, General Hospital, where Miss Reid was the hostess. The honeymoon is being spent at Brastagi.

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



## PRINCE CAROL

### PROJECTED COUP D'ETAT IN ROUMANIA

Bucharest, July 10. Documents allegedly confiscated by the Government in a round-up of military conspirators against the present regime implicated exiled former Crown Prince Carol in a projected coup d'etat.

According to an announcement by the Government to-day, the documents comprised proclamations to the people and to the army, all signed "in the name of His Majesty, King Carol II." It was said that Prince Carol gave his consent to the plot.

Several arrests have been made. Quiet prevails throughout Roumania. Associated Press.

## CLAYS OF COLONY

### RESULTS OF A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

#### POTTERY TRIALS

The following report of a geological survey of the Colony in regard to clays from certain districts, has been issued as a White Paper.

**Clay and Kaolin from Hong Kong**

The samples which are the subject of this report were sent to the Imperial Institute by His Excellency the Governor, Hong Kong, and referred to in his letter of December 8, 1927.

It was required that the materials, which had been forwarded at the request of Dr. R. W. Brock, Dean of the Faculty of Applied Sciences, University of British Columbia, should be tested as to their suitability for higher-grade clay products and wares.

#### Results of Examination

**White Clay.**—The sample consisted of 31 lb. of a fairly soft whitish clay, in the form of small lumps. It was of rather poor plasticity when mixed with water.

#### Pottery Trials

Unwashed Clay.—For use in these trials a quantity of the clay was ground to pass a sieve containing 120 meshes per linear inch. It was noticed that the material was easy to grind and that no clogging of the mill took place. An attempt to mould thin-walled vessels from the ground clay proved unsuccessful, the clay being only slightly plastic and having practically no binding power. The formation of pieces of a less fragile nature by pressing the moist clay in plaster moulds was somewhat easier, but the unfired ware was extremely weak and very difficult to handle.

It was thought that finer grinding might possibly improve the working properties of the clay, and a further quantity of the sample was therefore ground to pass a sieve having 180 meshes per linear inch. Trials with this finer material showed that, although a certain amount of improvement was effected by this treatment, the clay was still deficient in plasticity and would not be adapted for moulding by the usual methods.

**Washed Clay.**—A quantity of the raw clay was roughly crushed to about 1/4 in. mesh, and then blunged in a laboratory washing mill with about five times its weight of water. On account of the comparatively fine nature of the impurities contained in the raw clay, it was found necessary, in order to ensure that the impurities were thoroughly freed from clay, to reduce the rate of flow of the clay and water entering the blunger below that which could be successfully employed when washing a crude kaolin. After leaving the blunger the slip was allowed to settle and the separation of clay from the impurities was thereby effected. It was found that this separation was somewhat difficult on account of the fine state of division of the non-clayey particles.

The results obtained from this test showed that the crude material yielded 56.6 per cent. of clay, and 43.4 per cent. of residue.

The washed clay was a fairly good texture and colour, though not dead white. It worked well in all the tests to which it was submitted. The residue consisted mainly of kaolinised felspar and a little quartz.

Partial analyses of the washed and unwashed clay show that there is little difference in chemical composition between the washed and unwashed materials, but there was a considerable difference in their physical characteristics, the washed material being very much more plastic.

Vessels made from the heat washed clay, after being fired to a temperature of 1060°C. for 6 hours, were strong and of a fairly good colour and free from "iron spots." Some of the test pieces, however, cracked badly, and in all cases there was a strong tendency to warp.

#### Earthenware Mixtures

A number of test pieces were made from each of the earthenware mixtures tabulated below. The unwashed clay used in these experiments was ground before use to pass a sieve having 120 meshes per linear inch.

	A	B
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Unwashed clay	0	0
Washed clay	39	34
Flint	45	45
Cornish stone	16	16
Ball clay	0	5

	C	D
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Unwashed clay	40	30
Washed clay	0	0
Flint	45	45
Cornish stone	15	15
Ball clay	0	10

These mixtures after firing should give earthenware bodies of approximately the following compositions:

	A	B
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Silica, SiO <sub>2</sub>	76.2	76.2
Ferric oxide, Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	19.2	19.2
Alumina, Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	"	"
Bases, CaO, MgO	4.8	4.4
Bases, K <sub>2</sub> O, Na <sub>2</sub> O	"	"

	C	D
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Silica, SiO <sub>2</sub>	75.2	76.5
Ferric oxide, Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	18.7	18.7
Alumina, Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	"	"
Bases, CaO, MgO	4.6	4.7
Bases, K <sub>2</sub> O, Na <sub>2</sub> O	"	"

The percentage of bases would probably be somewhat higher than indicated in the above table, as the amounts of soda and potash in the washed and unwashed clay were not determined.

The mixtures made with the washed clay worked well on the wheel and gave good results when pressed in plaster moulds.

Bone china may also be made from this material, the most successful mixture employed being one that included both the washed clay and ball clay, a strong biscuit of good colour being produced.

(b) Red Clay.—This clay, owing to its colour, is not adapted for many of the purposes to which a white clay can be applied.

Those made from the unwashed clay were somewhat less plastic and more care in moulding was necessary than when the washed clay was employed. It was found that the addition of the ball clay, as shown in table above, gave a great improvement to the working properties of the mixtures.

The fired ware was strong and hard, with the exception of that made from mixture C. Increasing the firing temperature of testpieces made from that mixture gave no improvement in strength, but on the contrary a tendency of the ware to crack was observed.

**Glazing Tests on Earthenware**

Biscuits were made from mixtures A, B, and D was glazed with both opaque and transparent felspathic and lead glazes. No difficulty was experienced in the application of the glazes, which adhered well to the biscuit. An attempt to glaze biscuit made from mixture C was less successful, as the application of any glaze tended to weaken the body.

**Stoneware**

Impermeable pottery, similar to stoneware, was produced from mixtures A and B by increasing the firing temperature to 1250°C. The total shrinkings of 11.2 per cent. and 11.8 per cent., respectively, were not excessive for a semi-vitreous body of this nature. The ware was strong and a felspathic glaze maturing at a high temperature could be satisfactorily applied.

**China Mixtures**

The following bone-china mixtures were made, the unwashed clay used in the experiments being ground to 120 mesh as in the case of the material used for the earthenware trials.

	Mixture E	Mixture F
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Washed clay	30	25
Unwashed clay	0	0
Bone ash	35	35
Cornish stone	35	35
Ball clay	0	5

	Mixture G	Mixture H
per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Washed clay	30	20
Unwashed clay	0	0
Bone ash	35	35
Ball clay	0	10

All mixtures with the exception of G could be moulded easily and after firing yielded good hard biscuit ware. Mixture G was not of a very plastic nature and a considerable amount of care was necessary in moulding, whilst the unfired ware was weak and somewhat difficult to handle without breakage. The fired test pieces made from this mixture were rather weak, and in some cases a number of fine surface cracks were produced. Application of lead and felspathic glazes to biscuits made from mixtures E, F and H were in all cases satisfactory.

**Red Clay**

This sample consisted of 59 lb. of a moderately hard, reddish-brown mottled clay, only slightly plastic when mixed with water.

A preliminary washing test of the red clay showed that it contained about 25 per cent. of clay and 75 per cent. of residue, the latter apparently consisting of indurated clay generally of a pink colour. In view of the small amount of plastic clay contained in this sample, and of the comparatively low price of terra cotta ware, it was not considered that it would be economically practicable to refine the red clay by washing. No tests were therefore carried out with the washed material obtainable from this clay. The colour of the clay, moreover, renders it unsuitable for use in good quality earthenware or china mixtures, and for that reason also no tests were carried out in this direction.

#### Pottery Trials

The clay used in the tests was ground to pass a sieve containing 60 meshes per linear inch, but attempts to mould this material by means of the jigger and jolly machine were unsuccessful. The clay being practically devoid of plasticity and possessing very little binding power. In order to determine whether finer grinding would improve the properties of the clay a further quantity of the material was ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve.

It was found, however, that although a considerable improvement in the working properties of the clay had been effected it was still lacking in plasticity and difficult to work, but with care it was possible to produce fairly good pressed pieces.

Further trials were then made with a mixture of 90 per cent. clay + 10 per cent. ball clay, both clays being previously ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve. The addition of ball clay effected a great improvement, and this mixture worked well on the wheel, it being possible to mould small thin-walled vessels with ease.

Test pieces made from this mixture and fired at 1060°C. were hard and strong, with a good "ring." It was noticed that an increase in the firing temperature to between 1120°C. and 1140°C. produced impermeable ware of a dark brown colour, with no distortion in shape. This ware was strong and very hard, and if covered with a suitable leadless glaze would possibly be suitable for kitchen ware. The test pieces at 1060°C. could readily be covered with a lead glaze. It was also found that the ware was suitable for covering with a white slip, one application completely coating the vessels.

#### Summary and Conclusion

(a) White Clay.—Good earthenware can be made from the washed clay, with or without the addition of ball clay, but this latter material renders the earthenware mixture rather more easily to work. It appears unlikely that the use of the unwashed clay for earthenware mixtures would be commercially possible owing to its tendency to crack and to the presence of surface defects caused by ferruginous particles.

Bone china may also be made from this material, the most successful mixture employed being one that included both the washed clay and ball clay, a strong biscuit of good colour being produced.

(b) Red Clay.—This clay, owing to its colour, is not adapted for many of the purposes to which a white clay can be applied.

The results of the experiments carried out indicate that good second-grade pottery of a light terra cotta colour can be produced from mixtures of the finely-ground clay with ball clay, and that by increasing the firing temperature, dark brown impermeable ware can be made.

If it were found necessary, the composition of the body could be varied by the addition of materials, such as flint, Cornish stone, or felspar, but as a satisfactory earthenware was made by the addition of ball clay alone, it was not considered necessary, at this stage, to carry out more extensive experiments.

(a) and (b).—The white and red clays, generally speaking, cannot be regarded as high-quality raw materials. The white clay yields on washing a material resembling kaolin, from which sound earthenware can be made, and lower-grade ware can be produced from the red clay, but the difficulties of working were such that economic manufacture on a commercial scale might be impracticable, and it would be necessary for preliminary large-scale tests to be carried out.

## KOREAN ARRESTED

### CHARGE OF SEDITION IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 11. W. H. Lyuh, a Korean, was arrested here yesterday by the Japanese secret police charged with seditious activities and lodged in the Japanese consular jail, the arrest causing considerable excitement since it was staged at a baseball game where Lyuh was a spectator.

Lyuh has resided here many years, and headed the local Korean colony, but he has represented Koreans at the League of Nations in Geneva as well as at conferences in Honolulu and elsewhere. He has been a member of the faculty of the local Chinese Peking University and claims that he has become a Chinese citizen. Chicago Tribune.

## THE MARTYR

[The following is a rhymed and Bowdlerised version of remarks to the writer by Hong Kong's representative at the recent Pan Pacific Science Congress.]

They sent me down to Java,  
But I didn't want to go  
To that land of quakes and lava  
Just to hear some Fa Wong's crow.  
And they said I was demerit  
When I swore I'd be contented  
If another represented  
Hong Kong at the Science Show.

First I had to see two consuls,  
Javanese and Philippine.  
Next a doctor smelt my consils,  
Thumped my chest, and punched my spleen.  
Told me, though I stoutly stated  
I had just been vaccinated,  
"You must be inoculated  
Just as if you'd never been."

Made a bee-line for Manila,  
But before we saw that shore  
What I thought and said would fill a  
Duo-decimo or more.  
After that we headed straightway  
Through the Sulu Sea, the gateway  
Of the Isles. The date was eighth  
May.

How I wished the whole thing o'er!  
Left the ship at Sourabaya,  
Near the east of that Dutch isle  
Where, the newest hymnals say,  
the  
Prospects please but man is vile.  
Slipped off on my own to Bali,  
Where I'd love for years to dally.  
Birds and bulbs a gorgeous rally.  
Oh to stay there all the while!

Made a useless trip to Trinili,  
Where a doctor dubbed Dubois  
Thirty years ago gave final  
Proof that from a hideous jaw  
With the apex he could connect us  
Granted! why should it defect us  
If *Pithecanthropus Erectus*  
Is our great great grandpapa?

Three more precious days were  
squandered  
On a jaunt to Krakatau,  
Where some prosy pundits pondered  
On the horsepower of that row  
When the island took a potion  
Of T.N.T., and in the ocean  
Poked itself with such commotion  
That they heard it in Macao.

Oh the doleful, dreary, dismal  
Lectures that I must attend:  
Life from heights to depths abyssmal;  
Evolution's latest trend;  
Beetles, bugs, and loathsome leeches;  
Turnips, cauliflower, and peaches.  
(Everyone were bawdy branches)  
Would the nightmare never end?

But the dark cloud had a lining:  
In one thing the Dutch excel;  
And in dining, shows, and winning  
I must say they did us well.  
Hentzen rises, and Dyak dances,  
Oh the blood-smear'd clubs and  
lances!

Ah the wide-eyed luscious glances  
From each dusky savage belle!

Such I found the Science Congress:  
Seven weeks of boring pain,  
Witnessing a highbrow throng press  
Push, deny, denounce, disdain.  
Should they ever hold another,  
All my loathing I shall another,  
And to save some simple brother  
Volunteer to go again.

—W. K. in the "Yellow Dragon."

## THEOSOPHIST KILLED

Stockholm, July 11. Mrs. Katherine Tingley, the Theosophist leader, died here to-day from the effects of injuries suffered in an automobile accident in Germany on May 30. She was 70 years old. Associated Press.

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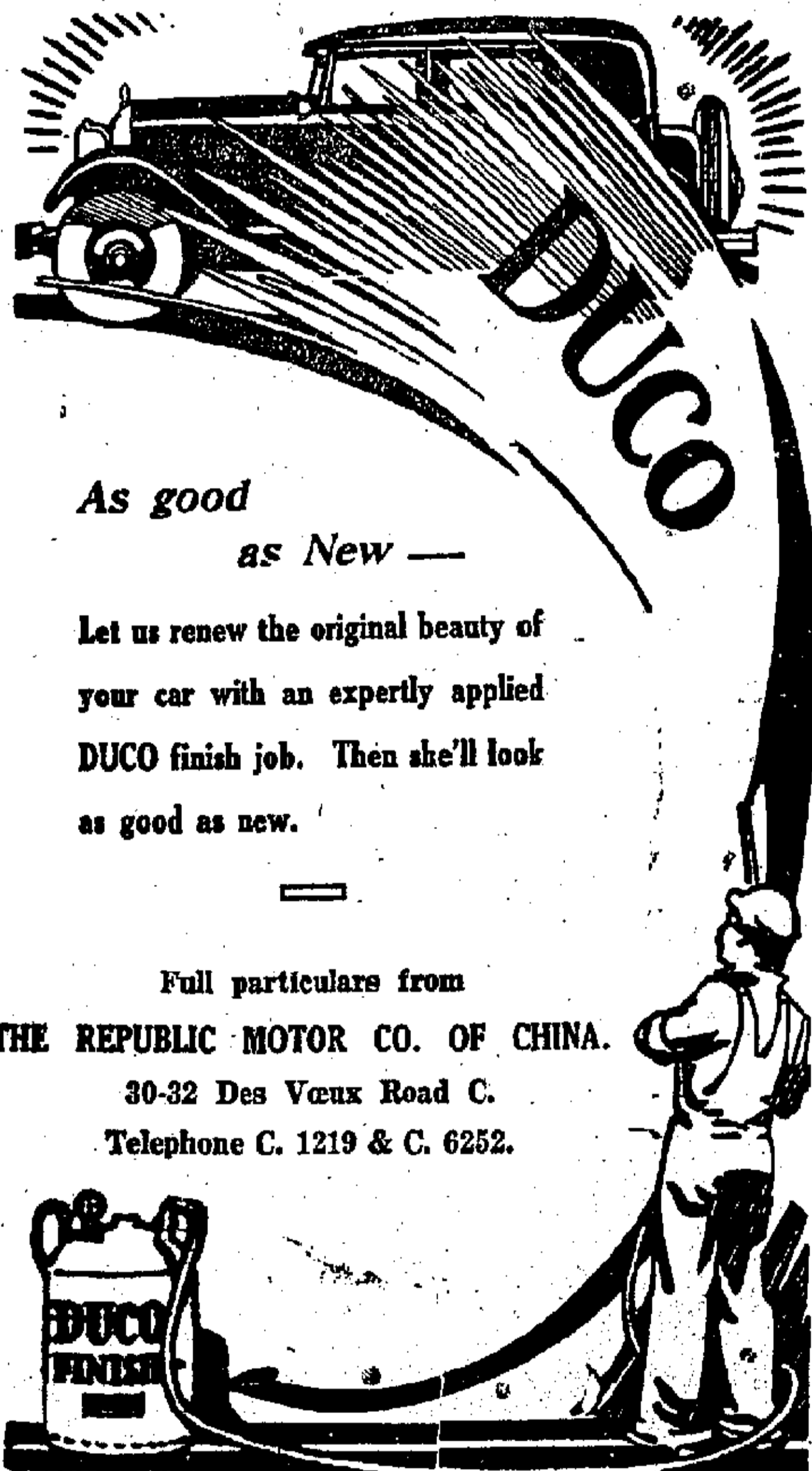
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Indianapolis, May 30.  
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strewn in the wreckage of that  
scorching torch called the 500-mile  
automobile sweepstakes at the  
Indianapolis Motor Speedway to-  
day.

With a record-smashing crowd of  
160,000 viewing the spectacle, Ray  
Keach, daring 28-year-old driver of  
Philadelphia, bounced his tiny  
eight-cylinder racing creation over  
the finish tape, a winner in  
5:07:25.42.

Louis Meyer of Los Angeles,  
winner of the 1928 race, finished  
second, nearly six minutes behind  
Keach, with Jimmy Gleason, an-

Meyer's time for the five-century  
grind was 5:13:49.21 and Gleason  
in third place finished in  
5:20:10.46.

Carl Marchese, a youthful Mil-  
waukee (Wis.) driver, finished  
fourth, while Speed Gardner, an-  
other Philadelphia driver, was  
fifth, and Fred Winnai of Philadel-  
phia, sixth.

Louis Chiron, of Paris, France,  
one of the two foreign entries and  
1928 European champion, finished  
seventh and Billy Arnold of Chi-  
cago, eighth.

Cliff Bergers of Los Angeles, was  
ninth and Fred Frame of Philadel-  
phia, was awarded tenth place.

Many Cars in Mishaps

Experts consider it miraculous  
that only one driver was killed.

Cliff Woodbury of Chicago, an  
audacious dirt track driver, nar-

panions were dressed in colourful  
attire.

**Litz Sets Furious Pace**  
A furious pace was set for the  
first 50 miles with Deacon Litz in  
his special, the same machine used  
by Louis Meyer in winning a year  
ago, out in front of the thundering  
brigade. His margin was less than  
a quarter of a lap, with Lou Moore  
in hot pursuit.

It was a remarkably close race  
among the three leaders when the  
first century of the long grind had  
been reeled off. Litz still held com-  
mand of the situation, but was only  
27 seconds ahead of Moore, who in  
turn was in a nose and nose strug-  
gle with Louis Meyer. Only fifteen  
seconds separated these two.

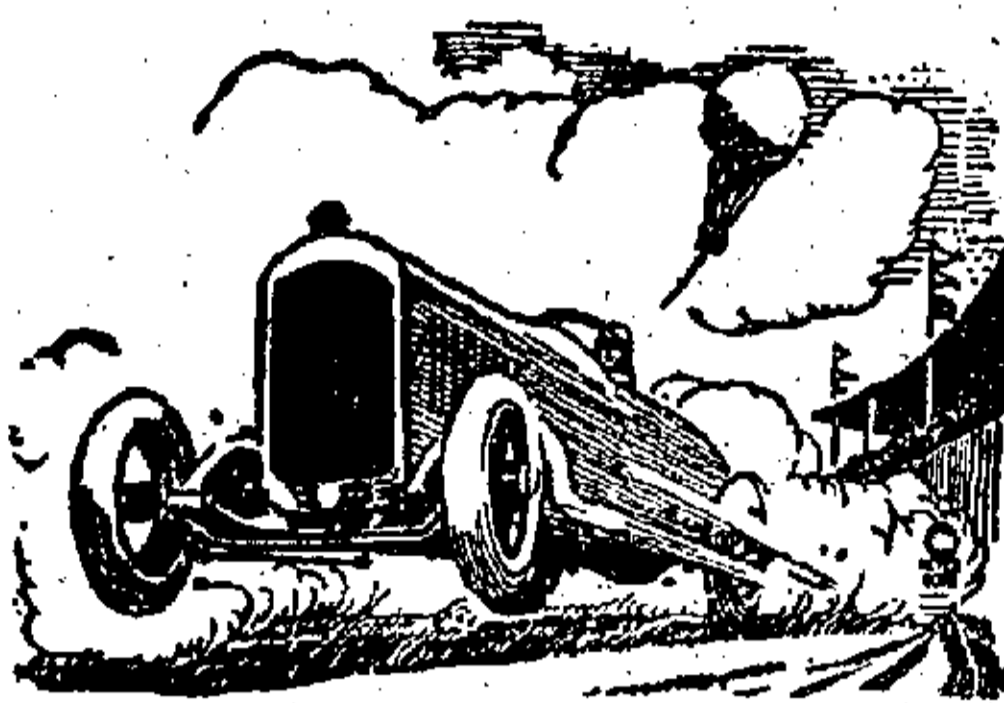
Babe Stapp had pushed his car  
from seventh to fourth place and  
he was followed by Leon Duray.  
Tony Gulotta was sixth and Jimmy  
Gleason had moved up to seventh.  
At 150 miles Moore was out in  
front with Louis Meyer closely fol-  
lowing and Jimmy Gleason on the  
same lap in third position. Litz  
went out of the race shortly before  
this post had been reached. Frame  
had milled his way through the cas-  
tor fumes from ninth to fifth place.

At 200 miles Meyer and Moore  
still were in a neck and neck battle  
for the leadership with the former  
having a slight advantage. Frame  
had moved up from fifth to third  
and Gleason was fourth with Keach  
fifth. Kries followed and in order  
were Winnai, Marchese, Gulotta  
and Farmer. The time was 1 hour,  
57 minutes, 25 seconds, and the  
average was 102.192 miles an hour.

Fifteen of the speedway  
machines were knocked out when  
the halfway mark had been reach-  
ed and it was a nip and tuck blanket  
race for the leading positions. Less  
than a hundred yards separated  
Frame, who was leading in his  
front drive car, and Meyer. Keach  
was on the same lap in third place.

Mr. H. S. Firestone, President of  
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stone, as pioneer in the develop-  
ment of every great tyre improve-  
ment, should be chosen the  
supreme arbiter of this classic  
race.

[Ray Keach has since been killed  
in a motor race.]



Motor Speedster "In Action."

other Philadelphia driver, pulling  
up in third place.

Twelve of the 33 drivers who  
wheeled their cars out for the start,  
survived the terrific test of speed.

#### Falls Short of Record

Keach averaged 97.585 miles an  
hour. The speedway record is  
101.23 miles an hour, made by  
Peter De Paolo, in 1925.

The race for \$100,000 resulted in  
the death of William Spence, 24,  
Los Angeles driver, and narrow  
escapes of five other drivers.

Spence, bounding over the peri-  
lously bumpy two and one-half-mile  
brick course at terrific speed, was  
killed on his fortieth mile. His car  
turned over as he was shooting out  
of a turn and going into the back  
stretch.

The car struck a retaining wall  
on a skid, threw Spence into the  
air in the middle of the track, turn-  
ed completely over, righted itself,  
and then came to a stop far down  
the track.

Spence was thrown clear of the  
car, but he suffered a fatal frac-  
ture of the skull.

#### Winning Near \$40,000

Keach, by his victory, was enrich-  
ed by about \$40,000. He won  
\$20,000 as first prize, \$5,100 in lap  
prizes and the balance in cash  
prizes offered by accessory manu-  
facturers.

To-day's race was Keach's second  
major competition. He finished  
fourth in the 1928 race, coming  
here after gaining fame by setting  
a world record of 207.55 miles an  
hour on the beach at Daytona, Fla.,  
a mark later broken by Maj.  
Segrave of England.

Keach exhibited steady, con-  
sistent and nervy driving. An out-  
sider with the public, Keach was  
never worse off than tenth. He  
took the lead at 392 miles, when  
Meyer, who was leading at the  
time, was forced to the pits to re-  
plenish fuel and oil.

Meyer was forced to remain in  
the pits six minutes and 4 seconds,  
due to his inability to get his motor  
started again.

Keach retained the lead to the  
end.

Keach, driving a rear-drive car,  
was fourth at the first 50 miles, tenth  
at 100, seventh at 150, fifth at 200,  
third at 250 and second at the 300  
and 350-mile marks, then he went  
into the lead and was never head-  
ed.

**Lou Moore in Hard Luck**  
Misfortune descended on Lou  
Moore of Los Angeles, whose car,  
piloted by a relief driver, was forced  
to stop with only five miles to  
go and with second place appar-  
ently clinched. Moore jumped into the  
car and started a mad dash on his  
last two laps, but the connecting  
rod burned out on the back stretch  
and he was forced to quit. The  
stop cost Moore exactly \$10,000,  
second prize money.

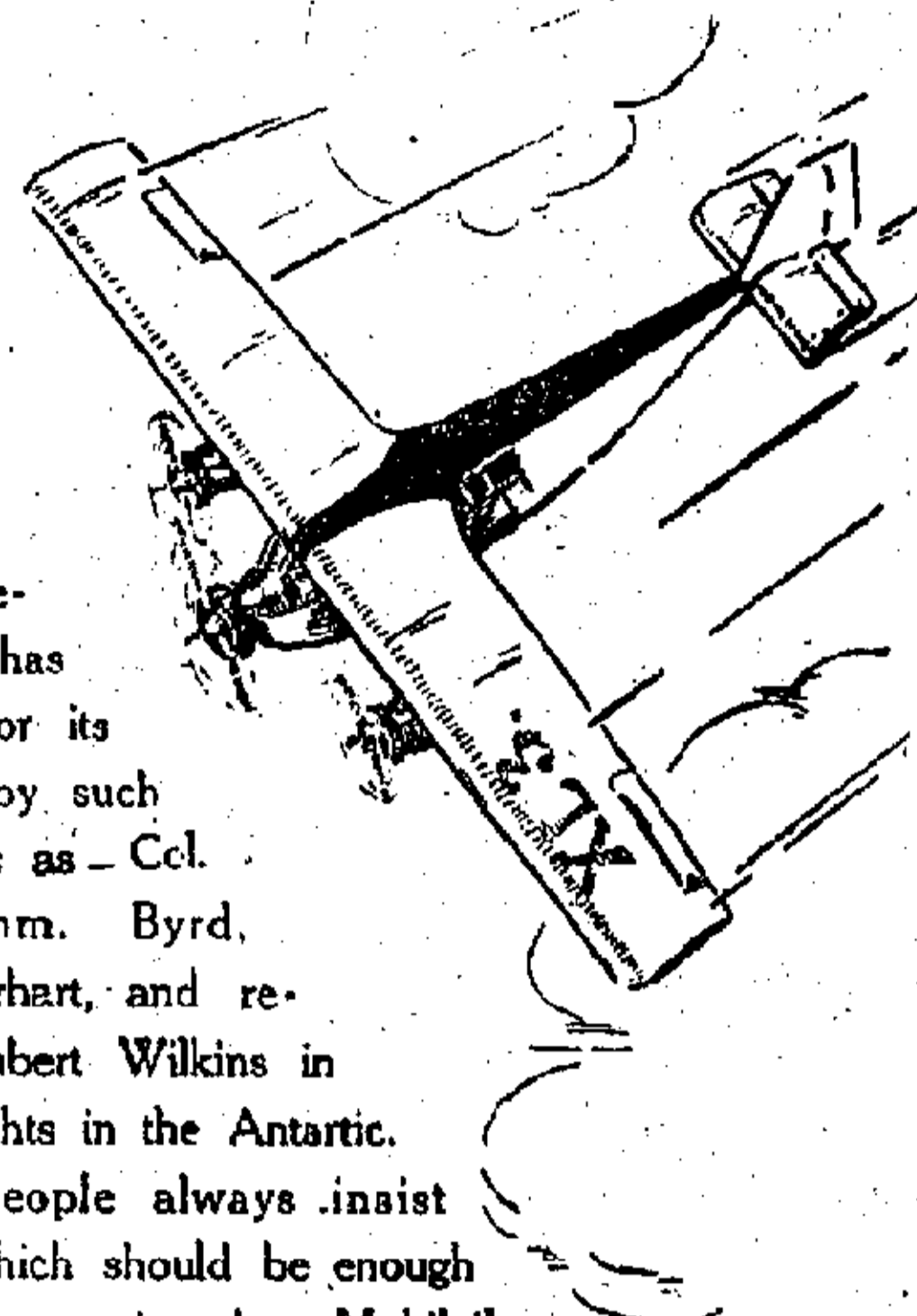
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Patent Office for patent rights, accord-  
ing to an announcement of the Ameri-

can Motorists' Association. The pump  
will be worked on the same principle  
as other vending machines by the in-  
sertion of a coin or coins by the  
motorist.

Of course, the coin in the slot pump  
has long ago made its appearance in  
Britain, and a Johannesburg business  
man has the selling rights for a simi-  
lar machine for South Africa. But  
without the co-operation of the big oil  
companies, the wholesale adoption of  
such a contrivance is almost impossible,  
since in most cases the oil companies  
lease the pump to the filling station.

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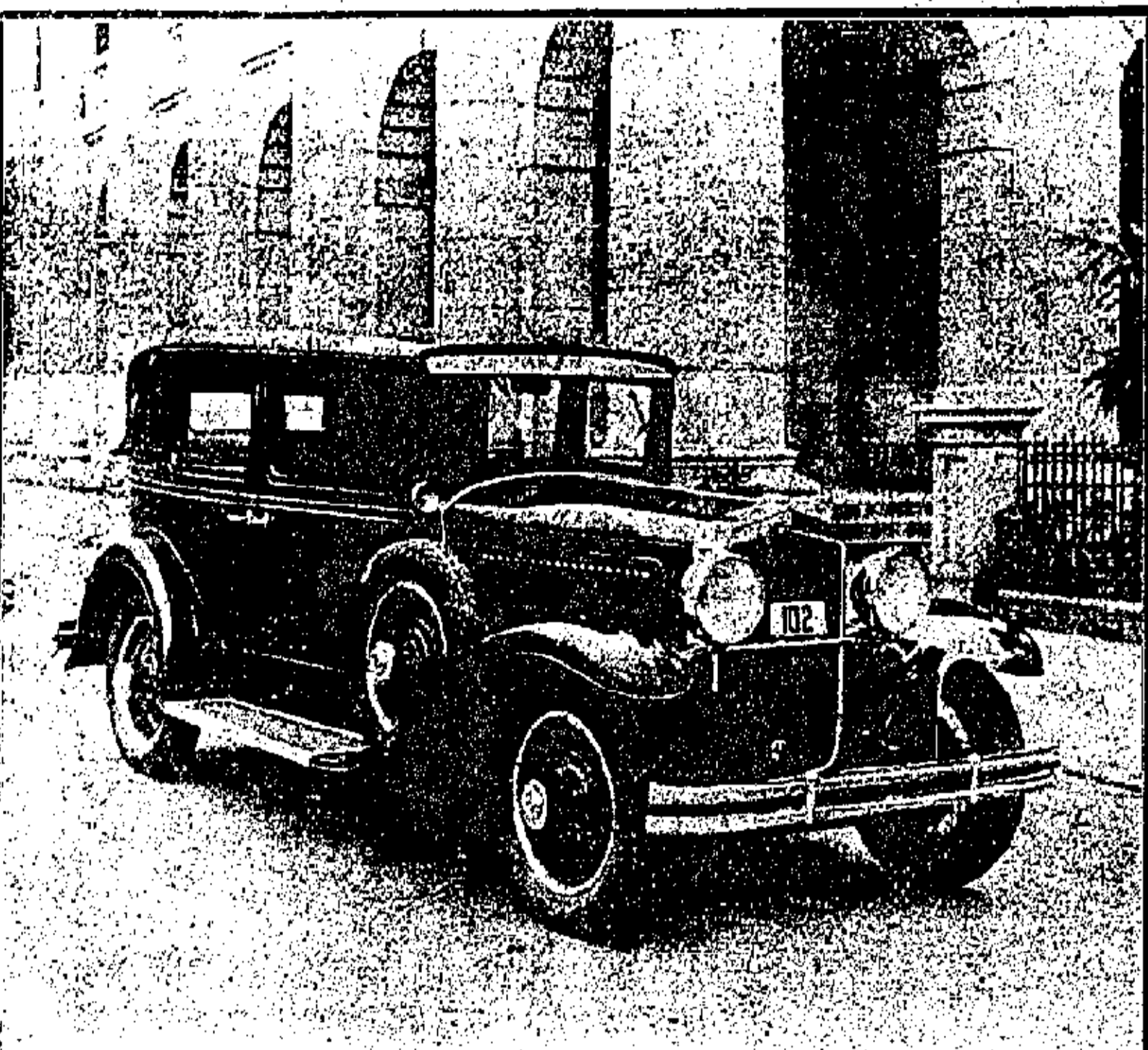
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### PROFITS DOWN

#### OUTLAY OF THE AUSTIN COMPANY

A reduction in gross profits is reported by the Austin Motor Co., the total for the fifteen months ended December 31 last, being £261,900; this figure compares with £262,477 for only twelve months, the accounts for the previous period being made up to September 30, 1927.

The credit balance as at September, 1927, was £115,630, but after allowing £105,000 for Preference dividend payments, the actual amount brought in was £10,630, so that the amount now available is £271,930. Debenture interest takes £145,800, £52,950 goes to the sinking fund reserve, and £50,000 to income-tax account.

**Heavy Payments**  
The half-year's interest on First Mortgage Debentures, half year's dividend on the 7 per cent. Preference shares, and a further one year's arrears on the 6 per cent. "B" Preference shares will be paid on July 1 next, bringing payment up to June 30, 1924, amounting to £128,220 gross. The amount to go forward is £59,654.

The report draws attention to the fact that from September 30, 1927, to December 31, 1928, the company paid out in cash:—  
Preference dividends, including arrears, net ..... £299,000  
Debenture interest, one and half years, net ..... 105,339

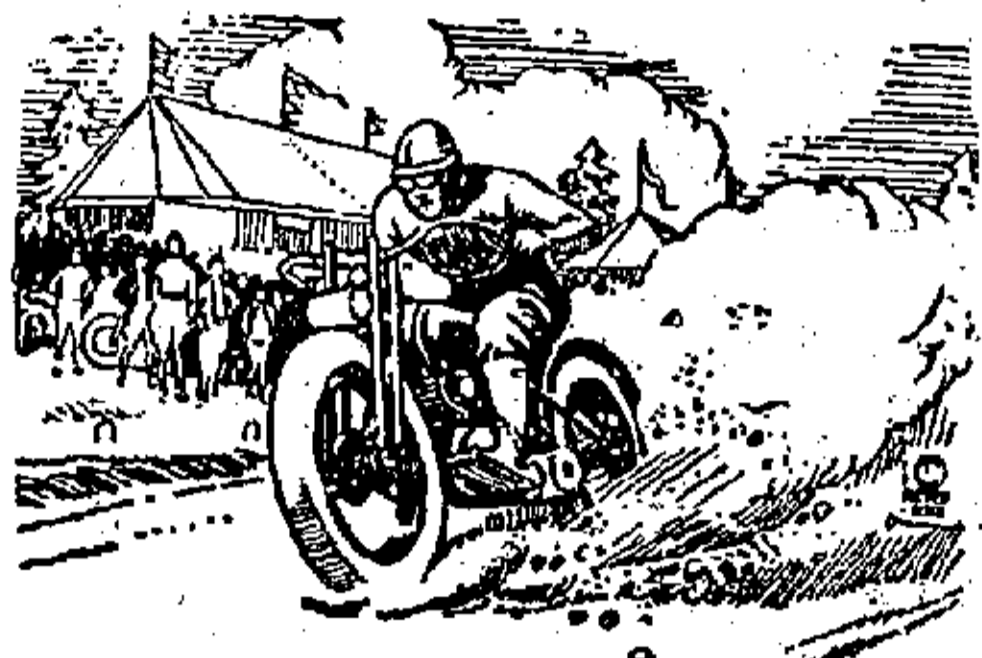
### FAMOUS FAMILY

#### GENERAL MOTORS FAMILY AND THEIR FRIENDS

The question is frequently asked, "Who owns General Motors?" General Motors is really owned by the public for there are now approximately 100,000 stockholders. Our employees have many thousands of shares which they have received through the several stock-participating plans sponsored by General Motors. Our preferred stock, which is highly recommended as an investment, was bought by 3,057 employees this year under the terms of a special subscription offer which was open to all employees.

The "Wall Street Journal" recently had a timely article on this subject, part of which follows:

"There has been a spectacular gain in the number of common shareholders of General Motors Corporation since November last, when the plan for splitting the stock on a 2½-for-1 basis was announced. As of February 16, the number of stockholders increased to 82,415, exceeding any previous record by more than 30,000. Never before in the corporation's history has the number of common stockholders been much in excess of 50,000. In



Motor Cyclist Attacks Records

Income-tax, assessments 1926-7 and 1927-28 ..... 115,512

Total ..... £519,851

To reduce manufacturing costs and thereby meet the severe and increasing competition, the company has expended on new buildings, plant and equipment during the period £573,670, and has provided for the cancellation of Debentures £52,950, a total of £1,149,471.

Although the expenditure of £573,670 was incurred during the period, the full benefits of this outlay will not be obtained until the current year.

**Selling Prices**  
Substantial reductions in selling prices were made in August, 1927, and August, 1928, which enabled the company to hold the markets at home and abroad in face of severe competition, and as showing the extent of the effort that has been made in this direction the selling prices of their cars have been reduced, after taking into consideration extra equipment added, by approximately 60 per cent. during the last seven years.

The programme drawn up for 1928 was 50 per cent. larger than that of the previous year, and for the first two months (October and November, 1927) this rate of turnover was accomplished in the home market, but owing to causes outside the company's control it could not be maintained, the increase for the fifteen months being 19 per cent. compared with the preceding similar period. This reduced turnover in relation to the programme seriously affected the profits earned. The demand for the company's products continues satisfactory.

less than three months, however, 34,246 names have been added to the list, and the latest total compares with 48,169 on November 24, 1928, a gain of 71 per cent.

"This large gain is a significant one as it is a tangible indication of the extent to which the public has been buying sound industrial securities recently.

Approximately 7,000 additional names were added through distribution of shares to employees under the corporation's employees ownership plan, but the great majority of the new stockholders represented public buying, taking General Motors out of the market in small lots through purchase for investment."

The Adam Opel Company in Russelheim, Germany, has become associated with General Motors. Opel, the most popular German car, as well as other Opel products, are made at Russelheim.

**Motors & Aviation**  
General Motors is to have an interest in the new Bendix Aviation Corporation and will turn in to it valuable rights in the aviation accessory field and rights in connection with other devices. The recently formed company combines several outstanding aviation accessory units, including Deleo Aviation, a member of the General Motors Family.

### THE VIKING

#### JOINS GENERAL MOTORS FAMILY

The Viking, a new General Motors product, has taken its place in our family of cars for every purse and purpose.

(Continued on Next Column.)

It is a V-type Eight with Body by Fisher, and the three popular models now on display are each listed at \$1,595. Made by Oldsmobile, sold by Oldsmobile dealers, the new Viking will be a companion car to the successful Oldsmobile Six.

As early as 1926 General Motors saw the coming demand for a fine eight-cylinder automobile of General Motors quality which could be sold at a moderate price. The men who started to design such a car had our engineering staff, Research Laboratories, and Proving Ground at their disposal.

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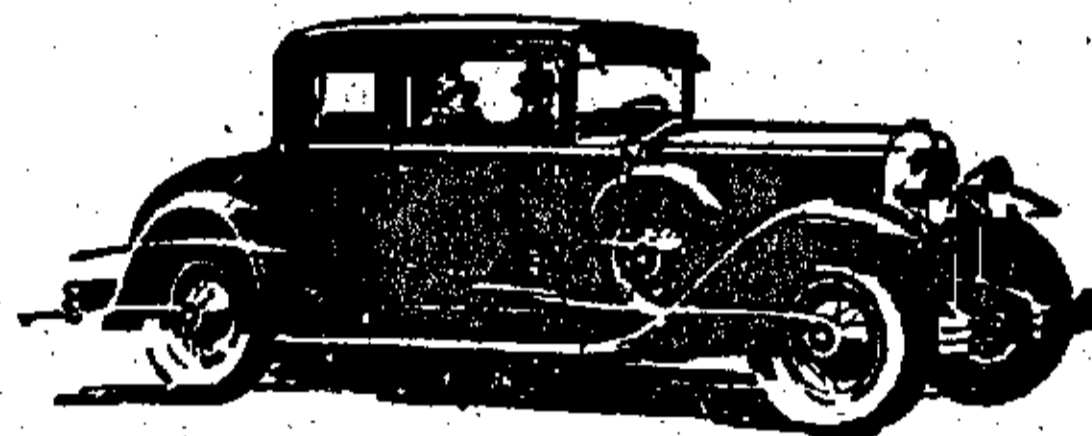
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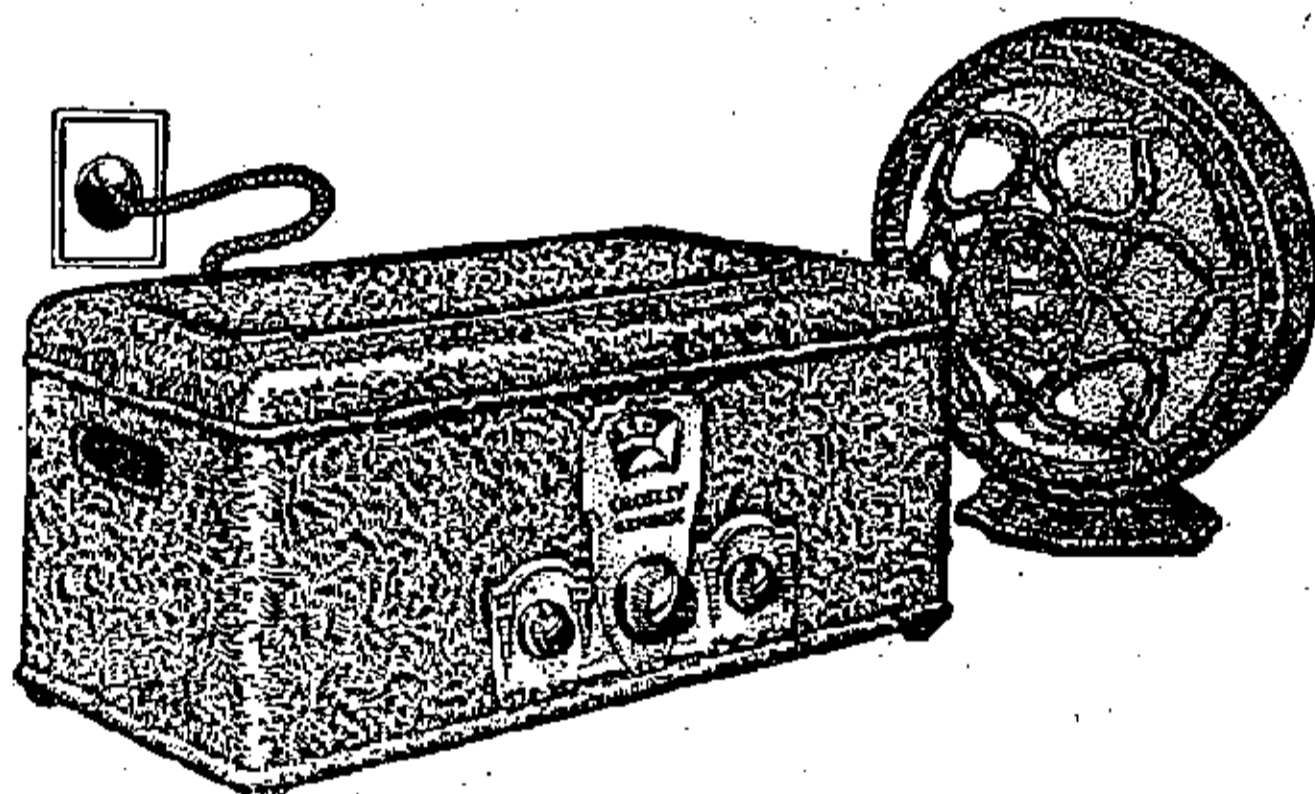
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Ray Keech, inset, veteran speed driver and winner of the Indianapolis 500-mile race, was one of the four racers who crashed at the east turn just as the cars passed the 100-mile mark in the 200-mile race at Altoona, Pa. Keech was leading when the disaster occurred and was instantly killed. The burning car which Keech drove is shown here above. The wrecked car at right was driven by Cliff Woodbury, one of the two men who were in the crash and were seriously injured.

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870,000 square feet of floor space have been added to the Oldsmobile plant and some of the new buildings will be used exclusively for the manufacture of the Viking. In one, the engines will be made and this has been equipped with a production lay out that represents the peak of efficiency. Other departments have been enlarged and a new assembly line installed for the Viking.

As have the other General Motors cars, the originality of the new Viking will establish a style of car design. The body and its appointments are distinctly pleasing in appearance and the engine is of the same principle which has proved so satisfactory to thousands of Cadillac and La Salle owners. Perhaps the most impressive thing about the new Viking is that it has a type of power plant and other

features found before in only the cars selling for \$2,000 and more.

The new Viking, whose heritage is the sturdy qualities of its namesake, is welcomed into the General Motors Family to do its part in serving the public and earning its good will.

### What Is Your Average Run?

"When touring, what is your average daily mileage?" was the question recently asked of its members by the American Automobile Association. Thirty per cent. stated that 200 miles was their average daily run. Then came 250 miles a day by 25 per cent., 300 miles a day by 16 per cent., and 150 miles a day by 16 per cent. The average daily run was 234 miles, as compared with 100 miles a day in 1919.

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### INWARD MAJLS.

From	Per
THURSDAY, JULY 18.	
Shanghai & Amoy	Kanchow
Australia and Manila	Kaga Maru
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 27th and 28th June)	Lahn
FRIDAY, JULY 19.	
U.S.A. (Seattle, 29th June), Canada, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 29th June)	President Jefferson
Japan and Shanghai	Khiva
SATURDAY, JULY 20.	
Calcutta and Straits	Takiwa
Shanghai	Alipore
SUNDAY, JULY 21.	
Straits	Hakusan Maru
MONDAY, JULY 22.	
Manila	President McKinley
Canada (Victoria, B.C., 4th July), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of France

### OUTWARD MAJLS.

For	Per
THURSDAY, JULY 18.	
Saigon	Prominent 3.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Francis Garnier 5 p.m.
Manila	Bellingham 5 p.m.
"Straits and Parcels for Germany via Hamburg"	Lahn 5 p.m.
Saigon	Clung Ewah 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, JULY 19.	
Japan	Kaga Maru 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Siberia"	Maiwa 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Tai Poo Sek 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning 2 p.m.
Formosa	Havana 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming 4.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Khiva (Due Marseilles, 17th Aug.) G.P.O.
K.P.O.	
Parcels	July 19, 4 p.m.
Registration	July 20, 9 a.m.
Letters	July 20, 10 a.m.
SATURDAY, JULY 20.	
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Alipore 3 p.m.
Manila	President Jefferson 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kung Chow 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JULY 21.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Haigan 9 a.m.
Amoy	Kanchow 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, JULY 22.	
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Siberia"	Hakusan Maru 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang 1.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei via Swatow	Huichow 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Nam Sang 5 p.m.

### CANTON ITEMS

#### NAME OF "8TH ROUTE ARMY" TO BE ABOLISHED

KWANGTUNG GARRISON.

Canton, Tuesday.  
The Headquarters of the Eighth Route Army at Canton, which was established by order of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek during the inter-provincial war between Kwangtung and Kwangsi, will be abolished next month. The programme of disbandment and re-organisation of all forces in Kwangtung will also be taken up about that time.

According to the plans laid down and authorised by the National Government, the total strength of the army of Kwangtung province will be limited to three divisions and one independent brigade.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

#### Construction Budget

Canton, Yesterday.

General Chan Ming-shu's and General Chan Chai-tong's unofficial visit to Hong Kong has been described by a spokesman of the Canton Government as being a mission to persuade Mr. Tang Chai-yu to accept the appointment as Chief of the Construction Department of the Canton Provincial Government. The spokesman also revealed the fact that the Canton Government has resolved to put aside monthly \$300,000 from the Provincial Treasury for construction purposes in Kwangtung, if Mr. Tang consents to accept the position.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Canton, Yesterday.

In order to carry out his plan for a national uniform currency, Mr. T. V. Soong (Minister of Finance) is said to have ordered the Shanghai Mint to prepare by next month or the beginning of September to mint a daily output of \$1,000,000 for circulation. It is expected that the output of silver from the Shanghai Mint will eventually lead to the closing of the Mint in Kwangtung and other provinces.

#### Disarmament

The Committee for Disarmament sitting at Nanking has decided that Kwangtung is to be divided into four Disarmament districts.

The East district, under General Chiang Kwong-nai, the Western district under General Huang Hon-ching, the Northern district under Yu Hon-mou, the Southern district, commander to be selected.—Canton News Agency.

### THE KUOMINCHUN

#### ITS RE-ORGANISATION AND DISBANDMENT

#### OFFICERS TO STAY ON

Shanghai, Yesterday.  
According to a report from Taiyuan, the capital of Shansi, Generals Yen Hsi-shan and Feng Yu-shiang, in connection with the disbandment and re-organisation of Feng's army (the Kuominchun), have reached an understanding which places Feng in control of the work. After the completion of this work, Yen Hsi-shan will accord him full protection and secure him every facility for his journey abroad. It is said that no high military officer in the Kuominchun will be dismissed.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

South Wales Coal Marketing Board decided to increase at once the minimum export price for large coal by 6d. a ton.

### GHASTLY MURDER IN WANCHAI

#### NEW THEORY

#### IDEA OF ROBBERY NOT NOW ENTERTAINED

#### HUSBAND'S STARTLING FIND

The Chinese wife of Captain Seaton, a veteran of the merchant service, was the victim of a brutal murder which occurred at their flat on the first floor of No. 11, Landale-street, Wanchai, last night.

At first it looked as if the unfortunate woman had been the victim of armed robbers, but after the circumstances of the affair had been gone into this theory has been abandoned, as it was found that nothing had been stolen from the flat, although money and other valuables had been near at hand, and not likely to be overlooked by robbers.

Although Police investigators have not yet discovered any clue to work on as to the identity of the murderers, the opinion prevails that the poor woman was murdered for some cause other than robbery.

In a Pool of Blood  
Captain Seaton left home at about 7.40 p.m., soon after a small girl living with his wife and him had gone out on an errand. When the Captain returned at about 8 o'clock,

\*\*\*\*\*  
Temperature, 10 a.m., today 80  
Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday 87  
Humidity, 10 a.m., today 85  
Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday 71  
\*\*\*\*\*

he was surprised to see a large crowd gathered outside his house. When he went upstairs, he found his wife lying dead on a pool of blood on the landing.

The Police were immediately communicated with and they immediately started investigations. The only people who seemed to know anything about the affair were two Chinese women living on the floor above that in which the ghastly crime was committed. They had been to the street to draw water and were returning when they saw three men coming quietly down the stairs, and thinking that they were departing visitors, the women made way for them to pass. After gaining the street the men quietly disappeared. It was dark on the stairs and the two women were unable to see their faces. They were respectfully dressed and there was nothing about them or their behaviour to arouse suspicion. They were not in a haste to leave the house.

"Save Life"  
When eventually the women gained the first floor landing, they saw Captain Seaton's wife standing there. She was swaying and calling out "Save Life" in a faint voice. The neighbours inquired what had happened but before she could reply the unfortunate woman collapsed on the landing and became unconscious. A few minutes later she died without regaining consciousness.

The two women then raised the alarm and blew Police whistles. A crowd gathered outside the house but no one dared venture upstairs, and none thought of going to the Police. At this juncture Captain Seaton returned home and on dis-

### NAVAL DOCKYARD

#### DEPARTURE OF ANOTHER OFFICIAL

#### HANDSOME SOUVENIR

At the Naval Dockyard Club yesterday evening before a large gathering of friends and Club members Mr. W. Latham, of the Constructive Department, was presented with a handsome silver tea set by Mr. S. R. Tickner, Chief Constructor, who paid a graceful tribute to his services.

Mr. W. Bickford, Principal Clerk of the Constructive Department, presided, and a small musical programme was contributed to by Messrs. Longyear (piano), Stacey (violin) and Turner (vocalist). Mr. Latham leaves on Saturday for Sheerness by the P. & O. s.s. "Khiva," having served five years here.

#### PRIME MINISTER

#### NEGOTIATIONS AS TO VISIT TO U.S.A.

#### ITS OBJECT

London, Yesterday.  
Reuter understands that the question of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's visit to the United States is at present the subject of diplomatic negotiation as regards the time it may take place and with a view to making it effective in promoting Naval Disarmament.—Reuter.

### THE KING'S HEALTH

#### CONTINUES TO BE SATISFACTORY

London, Yesterday.  
It is officially stated this morning that the improvement in the King's condition continues satisfactory.

No bulletin was issued, but it is learned that the wound is now clean, and it will not be necessary to insert a drainage tube.

Later.  
An official announcement states that the King's progress continues to be satisfactory.—Reuter.

The King passed a good day and continues to make satisfactory progress.—British Wireless Service.

### BIG LINERS

#### TWO 56,000-TONNERS FOR ATLANTIC SERVICE

New York, Yesterday.  
The United States lines announce that two new 56,000-ton liners, each costing \$25,000,000 will be laid down in 1930 for the Atlantic Service.—Reuter's American Service.

### DEPORTEES

#### 12,000 FROM U.S.A. LAST YEAR

Washington, Yesterday.  
The Immigration Commissioner announces that 12,000 persons were deported from the United States during the past fiscal year.—Reuter's American Service.

covering the murder sent a message through to No. 2 Police Station.

A Trail of Blood  
The murdered woman had stab wounds on her chest, loin and hands, the latter apparently received in a struggle with her murderers. She had been attacked inside the house and when her assailants left her she had walked across the floor a distance of 14 feet to the landing where she collapsed. This was made evident by a trail of blood on the floor. The only weapon the investigators found on the floor was one half of a pair of scissors and this is believed to have been dropped by one of the woman's three assailants.

Captain Seaton, who had lived happily with his wife for 35 years was so affected by the tragedy that he could not stay in the flat and left in the company of a missionary friend who was the first of his many friends to call and offer assistance as soon as the tragedy became known.

A room in the flat was in disorder but it is not thought that any of the three men had entered it. The disorder is explained by the fact that preparations were being made to vacate the flat at which Captain Seaton and his wife had lived for the past seven years, and were well-known figures in the neighbourhood. The murdered woman was 50 years of age.

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